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EGMORE,
10th October 1931.

P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

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VOLUME XX.

N°. 1

To Y^E^. Worsh^ll^. George Morton Pitt Esq^r^.
Deputy Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. David

Worsh^ll^. S^r^. & S^rs^.

We have three from you Unansw[ered] dated y^e^. 7^th^. 8^th^. & 10^th^. Instant. The Muster of Cloth lately sent proves now it is wash'd so Very much inferior to what we imagind it when brown that we would have You take none of it after y^e^. Receipt hereof for we can Scarcely call it a good N°. 2 Midling.

M^r^. Higginson arriv'd y^e^. 9^th^. Instant at Night & this day took his place at Our board.

Neither y^e^. Jenny nor Ramah are Yet in Sight whose Invoices & bills of Lading were inclos'd in Your other two letters.

Continue Sorting as fast as Cloth comes in & Send Us Up what You Sort by every good Conveyance. We are

Fort S^t^. George — Worsh^ll^. S^r^. & S^rs^

Jan^ry^. 14^th^. 1725/6. — Your affectionate Friends & Servants

James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
Rich^d^. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Rich^ds^. Higginson.
Rob^t^. Symonds.

N°. 2

To Y^E^. Worsh^ll^. George Morton Pitt Esq^r^.
Deputy Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. David

Worsh^ll^. S^r^. & S^rs^.

We receiv'd Your Letter [. . .] to Y^e^. Orders from Our Hon^ble^. Master about Your Settlement Copy of it with y^e^. Severall Papers inclosd will go home by these Ships which we have Determin'd to Dispatch on Saturday.

We this day Call'd M^r^. Rob^t^. Symonds to Our Board & he took his Place Accordingly His Ship y^e^. Jenny Galley is going down to You to bring up what Bales You

have Ready & we would have You return her to Us again with as Many bales as possible ye. better to enable Us to give ye. Lynn an early Dispatch for Europe. We are

Fort St. George
Janry. 20th. 1725/6.

Worshll. Sr. & Srs

Your Affectionate Friends and Servants.

James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Richds. Higginson.
Robt. Symonds.

No. 3

To Ye. Worshll George Morton Pitt Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worsll. Sr. & Srs.

This Morning We examind in ye. Sorting Godown ye. Muster of Blue Cloth at thirty eight Pag · ℘ Corge & [we] think it worth ye. Money we have agreed that You [Shll. Obtain] what quantity You can get with ye. Utmost Expedition ye. better to forward Us in Lading ye. Lynn.

Ships Monmouth & Enfeild Saild ye. 23d. Instant for Europe. We are

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.

Fort St. George
Janry. 24th. 1725/6.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants

James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Richds. Higginson.
Robt. Symonds.

No. 4

To Ye. Honble. Henery Frankland Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort William

Honble. Sr. & Srs.

After having Congratulated Your President on his Accession to ye. Government of Fort William We are to tell You that ye. Monmouth, Enfeild & Lynn all arrived here in due time ye. two former left this Port bound for England ye. 231. Instant ye. Other we shall Dispatch as fast as possible after them. The Stores You Sent Us on each of those Ships we have Receiv'd but were not in want of so large quantities.

As ye. freight of bales from Vizagapatam Costs Our Honble. Masters a very large Sum Yearly we have Resolvd to Desire Your Honour &ca. will Constantly Dispatch one of ye. Ships bound to this Port early in Novembr. that so She may touch at Vizagapatam & bri[ng us] what brown goods Shall be Ready [there] for her by wh[ich . . .] they will be here time [enough to] be wash'd for Our January Ships Your Honr. &ca. doing this will Save a Considerable Sum of Mony to Our Honble. Masters which we shall otherwise be oblig'd to pay for Freight.

Our People at Vizagapatam have Often endeavor'd to [wash] ye. Cloth there but whether thro ye. Unskilfullness of ye. [washers or on acco^tt^. of] ye. Water or from whatever cause it is they Coul[d nev]er whiten it so as to be fit to send home we therefore Desire Your Honour &ca. will let Us know whether You can wash ye. Coast Cloth. If You can We will Order one of Our Early Ships to Your Port to touch there every Year & take in all ye. brown Cloth that is Ready which will be a Compliance with our Masters Orders for Reparting ye. Coast & Bay goods, will Save ye. Freight that Must be otherwise paid for bringing them hither & will likewise Save Us a great deal of time & Trouble in ye. Washing.

We desire Your Honour &ca. will favour Us with Your Answer to this as well as to Ours of ye. 13th. October last as that we May Receive it before ye. Arrival of ye. Europe Ships. We are

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Your Very Humble Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
JANRY. 27TH 1725/6.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICHDS. HIGGINSON.
ROBT. SYMONDS.

No. 5

TO YE. WORSHLL. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

We have two from You to answer ye. first Dated 19th. January inclos'd Invoice & bill of Lading for Goods on board ye. Ramah which are arrivd ye. other of ye. 22d. Instant promises to Send Us Up your Bales by every good Conveyance of which we are in great Need.

Inclos'd You will Receive Invoice & Receipt for goods on board ye. Jenny Galley she sail'd hence on Saturday last. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

WORSHLL SR. & SRS.

JANRY. 27TH. 1725/6.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICHS .HIGGINSON.
ROBT. SYMONDS.

No. 6

TO YE. WORSHLL. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

We have look'd Over Yr. Muster of Fine blue Long Cloth You Sent Us at Fifty Pagodas ℔ Corge & Approve of both ye. Cloth & Dye but should be glad it could be got Cheaper however be that as it will Send Us what You have [. . .] (this at

fully equal to ye. [Muster] by ye. Jenny [Galley]) [. . . .] this Sortment will [have Our] Honble Masters especially if it Can be procured any thing Cheaper, which we hope it May. We would have You advise Us what quantity You can engage for so early in ye. ensueing Season as to put on board ye. August Ship wth. ye. Lowest Prices, that so if we think it for ye. [advantage of] Our Honble Masters we may give Direction & time for ye. Providing it. We are

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Richds. Higginson.
Robt. Symonds.

Fort St. George
Febry. 4th. 1725/6.

No. 7

To Ye. Worshll: George Morton Pitt Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.

The Lynn left this Place ye. 20th. of this month ye. bales by ye. Jenny Galley arriv'd just time enough for her.

As We are now going to enter upon new Contracts We think it necessary to direct that you Send us up exact States of ye. Merchants Debts at Fort St: David together with an Account of what goods You have under your Charge for Security of ye. same to Our Hon'ble Masters as also States of their Contracts to ye. same time with an Account how far they have Complied therewith that so we may Judge what penalty they have incurr'd & how much it will be proper to Infl[uence . . .] them Send us these particulars as soon as possible & give Us what further lights you can ye. better to govern Ourselves in an Affair of this importance & do you keep a watchfull eye on your Merchants.

We approve of Mr. Tripland for Surgeon & Mr. Sand [. . .] for Gunner at Your Place. We are

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Richds. Higginson.
Robt. Symonds.

Fort St. George
22d. Febry. 1725/6.

P.S.

We mean you to send Up ye. Merchants Accounts to ye. last of January also ye. State of their Contracts to that time for from that time design to begin Upon a new Footing with them.

No. 8

To Y^{E}. Worsh^{LL}. George Morton Pitt Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council of Fort S^{T}. David

Worsh^{LL}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

We have yours of y^{e}. 27th. Febr^{y}: to answer in closing y^{e}. Merchants Accounts State of their Contracts & Account of Goods Secured for y^{e}. Payment of their Debts since which we have received y^{e}. following Sums of Suncaramah & Tomby Chitty Viz^{t}.

Of Suncaramah	P^{s},	11764 35 62	
Interest thereon for one Year ..		941 7 14	
			12706 6 76
Of Tomby Chitty		2591 18 62	
Interest thereon for one Year ..		207 11 46	
			2798 30 28
		P^{s}.	15505 1 24

The price [. . .] of these Sums you must pl[ace to the] Credit of y^{e}. respective Merchants & y^{e}. Interest to [Pr . . .] The above Sum from Suncaramah & what Cloth he has since brought in will pay his Debt to y^{e}. Company & therefore we have agreed that you may deliver his People Five hundred Bales of y^{e}. turn'd out Cloth that You have locked up & we have [like]wise agreed that You shall deliver what turn'd [out cloth we] have belonging to Tomby Chitty's Partners to them [taking] bonds from all of them for their Debt Payable in two Months which must be exactly Comply'd with.

We Yesterday Morning came to a resolution to fix ten thousand Pagodas penalty for y^{e}. breach of y^{e}. Fort S^{t}. David Contracts which You are to levy in y^{e}. same Proportions that y^{e}. said Contracts were made a half from Suncaramah a quarter from Tomby Chitty & a quarter from Sadashavarrow.

We likewise Yesterday agreed upon a new Contract here and would have You advise Us as soon as possible what quantity of Cloth You Can engage for at Fort S^{t}. David by y^{e}. Middle of January next & Upon what Footing that we may y^{e}. Sooner give directions thereupon, we observe that You have demanded of y^{e}. Executors of y^{e}. late Gunner payment for y^{e}. Stores deficient Under his Care which is well. We have nothing to add but that We are

Worsh^{LL}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Rich^{DS}. Higginson.
Rob^{T}. Symonds.

Fort S^{T}. George
March 4TH. 1725/6.

No. 9

To M^{R}. Humphrey Holcombe
at Metchlepatam

S^{R}.

We were a few days ago surpriz'd with a Letter from you desiring permission to stay a year longer at Metchlepatam after you yourself had desired leave to come Up which we had granted & after that we had ordered you to come Up we were not a

little displeasd at this trifling we therefore now positively tell you that You upon receipt of this do immediately repair hither as you value y^e^. Companys Service & would continue Us

Your Freinds & Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICH^DS^. HIGGINSON.
ROB^T^. SYMONDS.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
MARCH 4^TH^. 1725/6.

No. 10

TO ROB^T^. ADAMS ESQ^R^. CHEIF
&C^A^. COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY

GENTLEMEN

We have yours of y^e^. 31^st^. Jan^ry^. last giving Us an Account of y^e^. Affairs of y^e^. French at Myhie w^ch^. differs greatly from y^e^. Acc^ts^. we have from Pondicherry. They give out there, that their People have had an Engagem^t^. with y^e^. Naires in w^ch^: w^th^. y^e^. Loss of only three Men they kill'd Three hundred on y^e^. Spot, & naild up their Guns on y^e^. Hills, but we are Apt to beleive y^e^. Case is not as they Represent it, because at y^e^. Same time as they gave Out this Acco^t^: they Dispatch'd two Sloops w^th^. Sixty Men & Ammunition for Myhie Of this we should have given You advise but that the[y did it] with So Much Secrecy that till y^e^. Vessells were gone We had not y^e^ least Notice of his design, & afterwards judgd that they would be Arriv'd before any Letters from Us Could Reach Your Side.

We wish Success to Our Hon^ble^. Masters Affairs & Assure You that we are

GENTLEMEN

Your Very Humble Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICH^DS^. HIGGINSON.
ROB^T^. SYMONDS.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
MARCH 12^TH^. 1725/6.

No. 11

TO JOHN BLUNT ESQ^R^.
RESID^T^: OF INGERUM

S^R^.

Having deliver'd You a Supply of Cash to y^e^. Amount of Nine Thousand Madrass Pagodas & three Thousand One Hundred & Fifty Rupees for y^e^. Investment at Ingerum We direct You to Repair Immediately to Your Station & to Provide Cloth for y^e^. Comp^y^. to Regulate You in y^e^. Sortm^ts^: You have already y^e^. List last rec^d^: from Our Hon^ble^: Masters to w^ch^. You must punctually adhere, & we would have you Compleat y^e^. five hundred Peices of Superfine Long Cloth at One hundred & Twenty Pags ℘ Corge orderd You last Year of w^ch^. we have as Yet had only Forty Peices.

As You are now Subordinate to Vizagapatam You are to Observe all Orders from y^{e}. Chief & Council there [&] keep Your Accounts wth. that Settlement Instead of this.

We wish You well down to Ingerum & Expect that [when] there You will take Care to Provide a large quantity of good Cloth to do which You shall be fully Supply'd wth. Cash either from hence or Vizagapatam. We are

S^{r}.

Your Freinds & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Rich^{ds}. Higginson.
Rob^{t}. Symonds.

Fort S^{t}. George
March 12th 1725/26.

No. 12

To Mess^{rs}. Sands Davis &
Charles Simpson, at
Vizagapatam

S^{rs}.

Inclos'd You will find Invoice & Bills of Lading for Treasure Consign'd You on y^{e}. Good Hope Brigantine for Acc^{ts}. of Our Hon^{ble}. Masters in y^{e}. Disposal of w^{ch}. You Must follow y^{e}. Directions of Your Chief M^{r}. Symonds.

You will also find an Invoice of Goods & Treasure on y^{e}. Speedwell to Ingerum, That Settlement is made Subordinate to Vizagapatam & therefore You Must bring y^{e}. Amount of y^{e}. Invoice to Acco^{t}. in Your Books. We are

S^{rs}.

Your Freinds & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Rich^{ds}. Higginson.
Rob^{t}. Symonds.

Fort S^{t}. George
March 13th. 1725/6.

No. 13

To Y^{e}. Worsh^{ll}. George Morton Pitt Esq^{r}.
Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David

Worsh^{ll}. S^{r}. & S^{rs}.

We rec'd this Morning Yours of y^{e}. 22^{d}. Instant wth. y^{e}. agreeable News of Your having Made a Contract for One Thousand Bales wth. Sheck Permaul to y^{e}. Proposals he Makes me Return Answer as follows.

1st. We are Contented that y^{e}. Conditions be y^{e}. Same as these of Our Contract here that is to Say he shall pay only twenty ℘C^{t}. penalty on so Much as he falls short of his Contract & if he Complys so far as to provide Eight hundred & Fifty Bales he shall be Excused y^{e}. Penalty on y^{e}. Remainder but if he falls short of Eight hundred & Fifty Bales he must pay for all Under One Thousand.

2ndly. We are contented ye. Sallampores Shall be only $2\frac{1}{8}$ broad provided he keeps his Promise of making them so Much better in proportion as ye. difference of breadth amounts to.

3dly. As to his Request about ye. Fine Long Cloth we would have a Muster of what he proposes to Provide Sent Us wth. ye. Utmost Expedition if we Approve thereof we are willing to Indulge him in this Matter.

4thly. We cannot Submit to his Request about Sending his turn'd Out Cloth back into ye. Country free from Duties for Several Reasons ye. Chief Are that it may Cloke abundance of Knavery & will Make Our Merchts. Expect ye. same favour whereas they always Sort all their Cloth before it Comes into ye. bounds & We Can't beleive tis harder on your Merchts. than Ours so to do.

We shall be glad to Encourage any Substantial Man to Undertake a Contract wth. ye. Compy: & beleive ye. above Indulgences will be Sufficient for that end.

We will Send you a Supply of Cash by ye. first good Oppertunity.

The last list of Investment from hence is an Extract of ye. last from England so you may Proceed upon it [for] Your present Contract. We are

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 24TH. 1725/26.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICHDS. HIGGINSON.
ROBT. SYMONDS.

No. 14

TO YE. HONBLE: HENERY FRANKLAND ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

We were favour'd wth. Yours of ye. 21st. Febry. last by Sloop Charles Inclosing Invoice & Bill of Loadg. for Salt Petre & Stores on board her for Acct. of Our Honble. Masters.

On this Occasion we are Sorry to tell You that You have so Overloaded Us wth. those Goods that We Shall be Oblig'd to Send You back on ye. Europe Ships at Least five thousand bags of Salt Petre of wch. we give Your Honr. &ca. this Early Notice that You may Regulate Your Selves ye. better in Your Investmt. at Patna as for other Stores we are Vastly Overstock'd & therefore Desire You will Send no More till we shall Demand them.

We heartily wish ye. Europe Ships Safe home to Our Honble. Masters, & are Sorry ye. Lyell could not be Sooner Dispatch'd for Surat.

We can as Yet give no guess what quantity of goods we shall be able to Send You down this Year tho: as we Except ye. Grantham from Bencoolen & a Ship from ye. Malabar Coast [to] fill up here we beleive we shall not be able to Send You [a] large quantity but we shall however be in want of a large quantity of Bales from You on ye. Ships that Your Honr. &ca. shall Send Us in January We shall write More fully on this head by Our next.

By ye. Inclos'd Copies of what we wrote both to Bombay [&] Europe relating to ye. late orders given at Surat to Our Supra Cargoes Your Honr. &ca. will See We have Resented ye. impositions laid on Us as Much as You have, but that we have Express'd Our Selves wth. Much More warmth about them.

By your Account of ye. Produce of Mexico Dollrs. we observe a Considerable Profit by Coining them here however as You desire a quantity for ye. Subordinate Factories in bullion we Shall send it & Coin only ye. rest we shall also take Care to Send ye. first Ships down to You wth. ye. greatest Expedition.

We observe in Yours by y^e. Mary Sloop that You beleive You can wash y^e. Long Cloth & Sallampores but not y^e. fine Muslins or Bettilees we shall therefore only Send y^e. former Sorts down to You. We are

Hon^ble: S^r & S^rs.
Your Most Humble Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICH^ds: HIGGINSON.
ROB^t. SYMONDS.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
APRILL 2^D. 1726.

[*P.S.*]
Inclos'd is y^e. Capt^ts: Receipt for Stores deliverd him here for the Sloop Idem.

J.M.
N.T.
J.E.
R.F.
J.H.
J.H.
R.H.
R.S.

No 15

To M^r. JOHN COLLER
MASTER OF SLOOP CHARLES

S^r.

You are hereby order'd to repair on board Your Vessell & Immediately Set Sail for Calcutta in Ben[g^ll] where when You Arrive You are to deliver Your Packett to y^e. Hon^ble. y^e. Presid^t. & Council there & to follow all Such orders as they shall give. We wish you safe down & Date this in Fort S^t. George this 2^d. of April 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICH^ds: HIGGINSON.
ROB^t. SYMONDS.

N^o. 16

To Y^e. WORSH^ll. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^r.
DEPT^y. GOV^r. &C^a. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. DAVID

WORSH^ll. S^r. & S^rs.

This Serves to advise that tomorrow Morning twenty Peons will Set Out from hence w^th. Ten Thousand Pag^s. of w^ch. I am orderd to give this Notice that You may Send Peons to Mercawn River to Meet them, I am

WORSH^ll. S^r. & S^rs.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
APRIL 2^D. 1726.

Your Most Obed^t. humble Servant
GEORGE TORIANO
Sec^y

N^{o}. 17

To Y^{E}. Worsh^{LL}. George Morton Pitt Esq^{R}.
Dept^{Y} Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council of Fort S^{T}. David

Worsh^{LL}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

This accompanys Ten Thousand Pag^{s}. Under Charge of Twenty Peons w^{ch}. Our Secretary advis'd You Yesterday we Should Send that You might have Peons Ready at Mercawn River.

Suncaramah has press'd Us for y^{e}. Remainder of his turn'd out Cloth that lies in Your hands but as we do not know y^{e}. exact State of his Acc^{t}. we have Allowd him only One hundred Bales More till we Receive his Acc^{t}. Curr^{t}. as it Stands wth. You w^{ch}. we would have You Send by y^{e}. first Opportunity.

Inclos'd we Send Extracts of y^{e}. last list of goods order'd from Europe to be provided at Fort S^{t}. David for Your Governm^{t}. in y^{e}. Investm^{t}. You are now Making. We are

Fort S^{T}. George Worsh^{LL}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.
April 3^{D}. 1726. Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants

James Macrae.
Nathaniel Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
Rob^{T}. Symonds.

[*P.S.*]
The Comp^{s}. orders this Year are positive to make y^{e}. Sallampores full two Covids & a quarter broad both here & at Fort S^{t}. David w^{ch}. had Escap'd Our Notice till After writing Our last Letter: therefore if it be possible We would have You Recall y^{e}. Indulgence granted to Your Merch^{ts}. in that particular.

J M.
N.T.
J.E.
R.F.
J.H.
J.H.
R.H.
R.S.

N^{o}. 18

To Robert Symonds Esq^{R}.
Cheif &c^{A}. Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

By y^{e}. Jane you will receive Invoice & bill of Lading for Treasure & Stores on board her & y^{e}. Jenny for Stores w^{ch}. we wish Safe wth. You.

We have found it for y^{e}. Interest of Our Hon^{ble}. Masters to make Ingerum a Subordinate to Vizagapatam & have accordingly appointed M^{r}. Blunt to be Second of y^{e}. Latter place but that he reside at y^{e}. former to assist M^{r}. Symonds in Making y^{e}. Investm^{t}. there.

The Expences of that Settlement have been extreamly large as You will Judge by y^{e}. Acc^{t}. enclos'd to You taken out of [...] of y^{e}. Particular Items, we have already reduc'd Some Viz^{t}. M^{r}. Blunt who is only a Junior Merch^{t}. be allowed no more than £30 ꝑ Ann^{m}. Salary, that his Dyet & Allowances be only Eight Pag^{s}. & $3\frac{3}{4}$ Measures of Oyl ꝑ Month & also that Corporal Wats[ons] pay be Reduc'd to P^{s}. 3·12 fan^{s}. ꝑ Month y^{e}. other particulars we would have you Examine & transmit an Acc^{t}. of to Us wth. y^{e}. Utmost Expedition, for Our further Resolutions but we

now Direct that You give M^r^. Blunt orders to turn of every Servant he has & put y^e^. Comp^y^. to no Expence at all Since he only Reside[s] there to Assist M^r^. Symonds in y^e^. Investment & not on y^e^. Co[mpny's] Acc^t^.: but in Regard that he will have quantitys of Cloth by [...] taken in for y^e^. Comp^y^. we permit You to Allow him Fifteen Pe[ons] of w^ch^. Four are to look after y^e^. Washers, four More after y^e^. God[own] & y^e^. remaining Seven are to Carry Letters & watch y^e^. Comp^s^. h[ouses].

We Inclose you Copy of y^e^. Last list of Investm^t^. from Europe You are to follow for y^e^. goods we now Expect from You.

We have talk'd w^th^. M^r^. Symonds about y^e^. Expences of Viza[gapatam] & Rely upon y^e^. promises he has given Us that they shall be considerably reduc'd as to your Revenues we have agreed to his prop[osal] of Farming y^e^. Sea & Land Customs he having given Us [...] by so doing those Articles will Encrease Consederably [...] Upon his Care for y^e^. advancing every other branch of [...] but we Expect that y^e^. Farmers of y^e^. Sea & Land Customs be obligd to Clear their Acc^ts^. at least quarterly.

We have agreed that You be Allow'd y^e^. Expence of Digging a new Tank for washing M^r^. Symonds having taken down two People from hence who Understand y^e^. work by w^ch^. he hopes to be enabled to wash as well as we do here.

Inclosed You will find a Commission in Appointing M^r^. Martin Graven a Leiutenant at Vizagapatam

We wish M^r^. Symonds who Carries this Letter Saf (*sic*) down & are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
THE 11^o^. APRIL 1726.

GENTLEMEN

Your Freinds & Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICH^DS^. HIGGINSON.

[*P. S.*]
We Inclose Your Acc^t^. Curr^t^ w^th^. this Presidency as it stands in our Books M^r^. Simpson having desir'd Leave to Come Up we have agreed that if he Continues in y^e^. Same Opinion he may Come up after M^r^. Symonds is arriv'd.

J.M.
N.T.
J.E.
R.F.
J.H.
J.H.
R.H.

No. 19

TO Y^E^. WORSH^LL^. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^R^.
DEPT^Y^. GOV^R^. &C^A^. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^. DAVID.

WORSH^LL^. S^R^. & S^RS^.

Yours of y^e^ 10^th^. Aprill reach'd Us in time & we are glad y^e^. Mony is Arrivd w^th^. You.

As to y^e^. Bales You have of Suncaramah's in Your Possession we would not have You deliver any More than to Leave You [...] Selves Sufficient Security for y^e^. ballance of his Acc^ts^. We Suppose y^e^. Five thousand Pag^s^. Charg'd him as a penalty for a Breach of y^e^. last Contract was placd to his Debit before this State of his Acc^t^. was Sent Us.

We are sorry to Read y^e^. little hopes you have of a Contract w^th^. any other of your Merch^ts^. & Sheck Permaul May depend Upon Our Readiness to Encourage him when Oppertunity Presents since he is so desirous of Our Favour. But we must add that as it is impossible to Make Our Sallampores broader than Usual this

Present Contra[ctor] at Madrass we Cannot Indulge him any other way than by permitting You to advance him 4 or 5000 Pag^s^. as he may have Occasion w^ch^. is a great favour Since by y^e^. terms of his Contract he cannot demand it & Even this we Could not Consent to but that You write Us he is a Responsible Man.

As to y^e^. Affair of bringing y^e^. Cloth into y^e^. bounds & Export^g^. what is not for y^e^. Comp^s^: Use Custom free We cannot agree to it for y^e^. Reasons at large Mentiond in Ours of y^e^. 24^th^. last Month about this Affair & we hope y^e^. permitting You to advance him y^e^. Above Sum will be an Equivalent for y^e^. difference in breadth of y^e^. Sallampores.

M^r^. Sanderson having desir'd Leave to go to Metchlepatam You May Let him Come Up we shall Send M^r^. Holcombe in his Room who is Arrivd from Metchlepatam.

The Grantham Arrived here y^e^. 7^th^. Instant from y^e^. West Coast & we design to return her thither w^th^. a part of her Load^g^. & we would have You to Send Us Up bales as fast as they are Ready in order to Assist Us in giving her y^e^. quicker Dispatch. We are.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE — WORSH^LL^. S^R^. & S^RS^.

APRIL 12^TH^. 1726.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICH^DS^. HIGGINSON.

No. 20

TO JOHN COURTNEY ESQ^R^.
CHEIF &C^A^. COUNCIL OF SURAT

GENTLEMEN

Your favour of y^e^. 15^th^. Feb^ry^. came duely to hand together w^th^. y^e^. Packett from y^e^. Presid^t^. & Council of Bombay.

We shall take Care to receive M^r^. Febos's Concerns in y^e^. Daniel when y^e^. Returns of y^e^. Ships Cargo comes You Doubtless have heard She was Cast away at y^e^. bar of y^e^. river of Tonquin & that we have Sent y^e^. Devonshire to bring back y^e^. Effects. We are.

GENTLEMEN

Your Very humble Servants

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
APRIL 12^TH^. 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
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JAMES HUBBARD.
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RICH^DS^. HIGGINSON.

No. 21.

TO Y^E^. HON^BLE^. WILL^M^. PHIPPS ESQ^R^.
PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^. &C^A^. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY

HON^BLE^. S^R^. & S^RS^.

Your Favour of y^e^. 5^th^. Feb^ry^. came to hand y^e^. 3^d^. Instant We are sorry to read y^e^. Success of y^e^. French as express'd in your letter at Myhie but by later Advices from Tellicherry we hear they are likely to be soon dispossess'd & by y^s^. means y^e^. Pepper Trade to Return to Our Hon^ble^. Masters.

By what you write of ye. Disposition of your Europe Shipps we Conclude we shall have none round this way wch. we shall be Very glad of; having ye. Grantham upon Our hands from ye. West Coast.

We shall take Care of ye. Affair of ye. Consulage demanded on ye. Sales Made by ye. Supracargoes of ye. Deane Frigat & Margaret Ann & also those Vessels belonging properly to Bengall we shall write to that Presidency about this Affair You Omitted to Inclose ye. Account of Mary Brigantine.

It will be a Very great Satisfaction to Us to hear that ye. Persian Empire is Settled in peace be it Under who it will since Trade can never Revive till that time Comes.

We will take Care of ye. Concerns of Mr. Febos in ye. Daniel when Ye. Returns of her Cargo arrive. We are

HonBLE. SR. & SRS.

Your Most humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATHANIEL TURNER
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
RICHDS. HIGGINSON.

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL 12TH 1726.

No. 22

To ROBT. ADAMS ESQR.
CHEIF &CA. COUNCIL OF TELLICHERRY

GENTLEMEN

In Answer to Your favour of ye. 8th. Ulto. we are to tell you Your Packetts arriv'd safe & were forwarded to Europe by Our January Shipping ye. first arrivs. too late for those that went in ye. begining of ye. Season.

We heartily wish Success to Our Honble. Masters Affairs on Your Side & that ye. French or any other Enemies to them may always meet wth. disappointments in their Undertakgs. We are

GENTLEMEN

Your Very humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL 12TH 1726

No. 23

To YE. HONBLE. HENERY FRANKLAND ESQR.
PRESIDr. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Above is Copy of Our last since wch. ye. Grantham is arriv'd & We must put a quantity of bales on her to make Up a Loading for Europe We Cannot Yet tell You what Quantity of Goods We shall send down or whether any at all but You shall have advice as soon as possible.

We have likewise Since Our last Rec'd ye. favour of Yours by ye. Margaret Ann in wch. we observe what You say about washing Our Cloth & if we Send You any down this Season We shall observe to send it early & also to Send You Some peices ready wash'd Conjeed & Folded as You desire.

We shall likewise observe what Your Honr. &ca. write about Coining ye. Silver & Sending ye. first Ship down very early.

Mr. Acton has been before Us & Can give no Satisfaction further than this that he is Incapable of Paying his bond now but that as his Freinds have Set a Voyage on foot for him he hopes to be enabled by that means to discharge his Debt & that as there is no body here that will either pay ye. Mony or give Security for him he desires Us to return ye. bond to Your Honr. &ca. where he is going & hopes to find freinds who will be Security for ye. Mony wch. we accordgly do Copy of his Request to us comes herewith.

We have already told Your Honr. &ca. we want no Stores & therefore we desire You will send none but what we write for. We are

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Your Most humble Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL 21ST. 1726.

JAMES MACRAE
&CA. Council.

No. 24

To YE. WORSHLL. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
DEPTY. GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

We have Yours of ye. 20th. & 21st. April to Answer. ye. bales by ye. Rama are Come Safe.

As to ye. Affairs of ye. Sallempores since we find it Impracticable to make Sheck Permall keep Up to both goodness & breadth, we have determin'd to permit him to bring them in of 2⅛ Covids broad rather of thin Cloth, but you must let him know that Since we indulge him in this, we are fully determind to insist Upon their being extraordinary good in return for ye. favour. We have nothing to add but that We are

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

Yor. Affectionate Freinds & Servts.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY 9TH. 1726.

JAMES MACRAE
&ca. Council.

No. 25

To YE. HONBLE. WILLM. PHIPPS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

We have two from you to answer bearing date ye. 11th. March & 15th. Aprill in ye. former of wch. You are pleasd to tell Us, we are possessd wth. a Spirit of controversy & contention, by wch. we were at a loss to know what You mean, Since it is certain we have done no more than asserted our just rights & that in ye. Mildest terms a matter of such consequence could be expressd in, to shew we were in earnest.

We cannot think any reasonable man will allow ys. addition (of a Year round) to ye. words of our Honble Masters orders, are giving them ye. most Extensive meaning, since it would have been More Extensive to have Explaind their words, by adding after having finishd ye. bussiness they were sent for, but however Yor. Honr. &ca. will permit Us to tell you, that even this Interpretation of Yors : differs greatly from ye. Orders You have given that no Supra Cargo shall stay at Surat after ye. Season for ye. Ships riding at [Yors.] wch. is reducing them to a stay of no more than about 2 Months Instead of Twelve & it is a Very common Misfortune to Us that our Supracargos are obligd to stay till August to dispose of their goods.

The Assertion Mention'd in your next paragraph is founded Upon a Copy sent Us from Bombay of an order of Our Hoñble Masters wherein they tell Us that Since some of ye. English as particularly Mr. Geo: Wyche had spirited Up ye. Moors against ye. Compay. therefore none should be suffer'd to reside there so that Yor. Honr. &ca. may see we are not Mistaken in our Assertion that those orders were given upon that occasion.

We are sorry Yor. Honr. &ca. did not think fit to send Us Copies of those paragraphs to wch. that from ye. Compay. now sent Us is an answer because we beleive we might there have seen ye. Reasons that Induc'd our Honble. Masters to give any Severe orders however Yor. Honr. &ca. will give Us leave to guess that Yor. representations home about Surat have been pretty Much like those about Bussero where You were so extreamly kind, as to desire ye. Sole trade for Your selves, & indeed ye. Representations to ye. Compy. that our Supracargos to Surat are a detriment to their Affairs there looks so like an endeavor to get either ye. Sole trade or ye. whole Commission of our trade into Your own hands that we must Venture to Say we Apprehend it was more Yor. own Private Interest than ye. Companys that has occasiond these disputes.

Yor. Honr. &ca. are pleasd now to tell Us that it was not on Acct. of ye. Sale Mr. Wm. Mitchell made that You gave those order's we Complain of & yet in Yor. former Letter you told Us that was ye. Occasion.

We are glad to find You disclaim ye. demand You then made of ye. Cheif being previously acquainted wth. all bargains before they were concluded in ye. Room of wch. you have Appointed that all bargains shall be Registered once in 15 days.

In answer to Yor. demand in ye. Next paragraph why Supracargos are not as likely to act ill as ye. Compays. Servts. in our business w[e . . . . . .] will Prevent them, for allowing one Man is equally good wth. ye. other Should ye. Chief do ill he is not Under our Controul whereas ye. Supracargo Returns from his Voyage & all his hopes of a New one are founded on his former good behaviour so that his own private Interest will help to keep him honest whereas if ye. other will be biass'd by his private Interest it is again [. . .]

We acknowledge a Power in Yor. Presidency for Settling Such Regulations in trade as are Not Repugnant to our Honble Masters Standing orders, but no More nor had we said any thing about those You have lately giv'n did we not Conceive them directly contrary thereto. We are very certain in an affair of this nature had our Honble Masters design'd any such thing, as You would have us think they would have thought it a Matter of Sufficient consequence to have told Us themselves their Resolutions, & [it . . .] Mean in ye. Paragraphs Inclos'd to Us from Yor Honr. &ca. ye. Sa[. . .] that you do they had better have told us they had determind to give You ye. sole trade of Surat wch. we beleive we have not Merited so ill from our Honble: Masters as to Induce them to do, & therefore we cannot we will not suppose they have done it.

Nor can we find out how our Supracargo's selling their goods [at] Surat, should any ways hurt ye. Compas. Honr. or Interest: but rather they pay ye. Customs order'd by our Masters, & observe ye. Rules laid down by them, we think they advance both. We must Likewise add, th[at] while they are thus observant of ye. Compe. orders, we do not [think] Yor. Honr. &ca. have authority by ye. late directions from England [to] call them away from ye. business we have entrusted to their Ma[sters] much less to force them to leave our Effects in other hands than we Approve of.

It is very hard Yor. Honr. &ca. could find no parts but Pegue & Siam to charge Us wth. Indirect Managemt. at ye. former all ye. world know's is only a place for building Ships wch. Yor. own harbour [at] Surat River serves you for & therefore You Never Use it, but how it is so apparently false that we have quite depriv'd You of [all] ye. French ye. Moors Armenians, Malabars from all ye. Coast [. .] ye. English from Bengall do more bussiness there, than ourselves & so would you, if you had not better convenience at home. At Syam, we have no Factory & what little [. . . . .] more than Bengall & Bombay proceeds from ye. Kings [Sent] a Ship to Us every year on wch. Account he gives Madrass some little Indulgence, but however we never endeavord to deprive You of ye. like, therefore we Must think ye. design of this Paragraph was only to give some Pretence for treating Us ill on yor. Side.

We are determined as we before told Yor. Honr. &ca. to submit to all orders our Honble Masters have made for ye. Regulations of their trade & we do not think you have a power to make others wth. out Express orders from them, but yet if ye.

Country Governmt. do impose Yor. Cheifs are obligd to protect our Ships, for they are ye. Comps. Cheifs & obligd to support all who trade agreeable to ye. orders & Under ye. Protection of our Honble. Masters had you so Unlimited a power as you pretend to lay down Rules & Orders relating to trade we might very quickly find a prohibition of Trade to Surat for all but Your selves, as to Menacing & threatning if Yor. Honr. &ca. call asserting our own Undoubted rights by those terms we Must still be culpable for we shall allways be able as we told You in our former letter to call you to an Accot: if we are Injur'd & as for ye. Coller You Must pardon us if we tell you, tis they that Invade or endeavor to envade (*sic*) other Mens Properties who desire it & not those who, when oppress'd seek for Redress.

We observe what You write about ye. Consulage at Bussero [We] shall advise thereof to Bengal, to wch. port both ye. Ships belong tho: we think it would have been proper to have let Us know from what time You commence that Charge, & when ye. Compas. or[der] reach'd Bussero, because we do not Apprehend that Our Master's design any Mony should be paid, for what Traded for before ye. Arrival of their orders. We have nothing to add but that We are

HONBLE SR. & SRS.

Yor. Very Humble Servts.
JAMES MACRAE
&ca. Council.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY YE. 11TH. 1726.

No. 26

To JOHN COURTNEY ESQR.
CHEIF &CA FACTORS AT SURAT

GENTLEMEN

Yours of ye. 16th. March did not Reach Us till ye. 2d. Instant, so that we have given no Gratuity to ye. Peons they being above 40 days in their Passage.

We desire Yor. Care of ye. Accompanying General to ye. Presidt. & Council of Bombay & are

GENTLEMEN

Yor. Most Humble Servts.
JAMES MACRAE
&ca. Council.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY YE. 12TH. 1726.

No. 27

To YE. WORSHLL. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQR.
DEPTY: GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

We have Yours of ye. 20th. May to Answer & observe You have recd. ye. ballance of Suncaramahs Acct. as to ye. other Merchts. Since ye. Compay. does not want Cash You may Indulge them three Months longer Provided You have good & sufficient Security in Your hands.

We observe ye. death of Mr. Simon Holcombe, his brother Mr. Humphry Holcombe set out a few days since for Yor: Settlemt. where we have appointed him fourth of Council. We are

WORSHLL. SR. & SRS.

Yor. Affectionate Freinds & Servts.
JAMES MACRAE
&ca. Councill.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY YE. 24TH. 1726.

No. 28

To Robt. Symonds Esqr. Cheif &ca.
Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

We have Yors. of ye. Seventh May before Us & Observe that all ye. Treasure, Wares, & Stores, were Retcd out of ye. Jane, & Jenny in good order. We are heartily Sorry You are likely to be disappointed in Ye. Investment Mr. Symonds when here saw we were Very Much Streightend our Selves so we are Confident he will leave nothing Undone to procure a large quantity of goods as an encouragemt. to wch : we will now tell him, Our Honble. Masters Commend ye. Cloth he Sent them last.

We shall be glad to have an Acct of ye. Ingerum Expences as soon as Possible.

We are pleas'd wth. what You have done about ye. Revenues as also about ye. Reductions.

YoR. Bill of Pags. 611. 19. 63 has been duely honour'd. We are

Gentlemen
Yor. Freinds & Servts.
James Macrae
&ca. Council.

Fort St. George
June ye. 8th. 1726.

P.S.

Inclos'd is ye. New List of Investmt. from Europe.

No. 29

To Robt. Symonds Esqr : Cheif
&ca. Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

Inclos'd is Copy of our last wth. ye. List of Investment for Europe rec'd by these Ships to be provided at Yor. place, To which we have Nothing to add but that we are

Gentlemen
Yor. Freinds & Servts.
James Macrae
&ca. Council.

Fort St. George
June ye. 13th. 1726.

No. 30

To ye. Worshpll. George Morton Pitt Esqr.
Deptty. Govr. &ca. Council at Fort St. David

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.

We have yours of ye. 5th. June before Us Inclosing Yor. Cash Accots. We should have been glad to have known how you proceed in Yor. Investments.

Herewith You will receive copy of such part of our new list of goods retcd from Europe as relates to Yor. Settlemt. wch. You must comply with as Near as Possiblely [*sic*] you can. We have no more to add, but that we Expect ye. Essex, a small ship here & are in hopes, if you Supply Us wth. goods to dispatch her an early Ship & therefore we desire you will Send Us all ye. blue (of wch. you are order'd to provide a large quantity) as well as all ye. white Goods You can, by every good conveyance. We are

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.
Yor. Affectionate Freinds & Servts.
James Macrae
&ca. Council.

Fort St George
June ye. 13th. 1726.

No. 31

To y^{E} Hon^{BLE}. Henery Frankland Esq^{R}.
Presid^{T}. & Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council of Fort William

Hon^{BLE} S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

We have rec'd Yours of y^{e}. 19th. Aprill before Us, advising y^{e}. Arrival of y^{e}. Charles Sloop.

Our Hon^{ble} Masters having this Year forbid any of their Ships taking any Iron Kintlage we shall have an Oppertunity of putting of a good deal of Salt Petre & shall therefore put their Kintlage Proportion on board Such Ships, as we shall send you down w^{ch}. will ease Us of part of y^{e}. vast load we have on hand.

We are glad to find Yo^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. expect so large a quantity of goods this Year, because we shall be extreamly streighten'd, & a very large Number of Ships are coming out, of w^{ch}. we suppose You have advice in y^{e}. Accompanying Packett.

We shall give orders to our Supravisor now going to y^{e}. West Coast to look after y^{e}. Affairs of Cap^{t}. Firmin, & to Remit y^{e}. ballance of his Estate. We are

Hon^{BLE} S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

Fort S^{T}. George
June y^{E}. 13 1726.

Yo^{r}. Most Humble Serv^{ts}.
James Macrae
&c^{a}. Council.

No. 32

To y^{E}. Worsh^{LL}. George Morton Pitt Esq^{R}.
&c^{A}. Council at Fort S^{T}. David

Worsh^{LL}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

It is very agreeable to Us to be Inform'd by Your letter of y^{e}. 23^{d}. Ult^{o}. that Sha Permal had found Means to Engage y^{e}. Weavers into his Service w^{ch}. we hope will Contribute to forward Yo^{r}. Investment.

The state of Your Investm^{t}: mentions 200 Diapers & y^{e}. Compa^{y}. have order'd only 100 this Year w^{ch}. you will Observe they have order'd no dimitties at all & You must Provide None.

We send you Inclos'd a Copy of y^{e}. bill fil'd in Chancery against Mess^{rs}. Elwick & Jennings & their Councils &c^{a}. together wth. Copy of y^{e}. 18th. Para of y^{e}. General letter rec'd from Europe dated y^{e}. 7th. Jan^{ry}. last relating to y^{e}. S^{d}. bill w^{ch}. Bill & Para we desire may be communicated to y^{e}. Partys concern'd at Fort St. David that they may comply wth. y^{e}. Compa^{s}. orders there mentioned.

Yesterday we open'd 2 of y^{e}. bales last rec'd from You one of them Long Cloth ord^{y}. N^{o}. 1 sorted by Peter Tahourdin in w^{ch}. were only 10 p^{s}: fit to be sorted to that Number, 10 p^{s}. barely to N^{o}. 2 & 10 p^{s}. fit for no Number, we afterwards open'd a bale sorted by Aug: Burton & Peter Tahourdin of Long Cloth Ord^{ry}. N^{o}. 2 w^{ch}. was pretty good of y^{e}. Sort & better than Tahourdins bale of N^{o}. 1 this Carelessness has oblig'd Us to Set aside a day on purpose to Examine y^{e}. rem^{der}: of your bales last sent Up ℘ Sloop Ramah & when we have gone thro: y^{e}. Examination we shall send You our Report thereon in y^{e}. Interim we desire y^{e}. Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. to Reprimand M^{r}. Tahourdin in Council for his great negligance & recommend more care to y^{e}. Other Sorters. We are

Worsh^{LL}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

Fort S^{T}. George
July y^{E}. 1ST. 1726.

Yo^{r}. Affectionate Freinds & Serv^{ts}.
James Macrae
&c^{a}. Council.

No. 33

To Yᴱ. Worshᴸᴸ. Robᵀ. Adams Esqᴿ.
Cheif &cᴬ. Council at Tellicherry

Worshᴸᴸ. Sᴿ. & Sᴿˢ.

We have recd Your Letter dated in May, whereby we are sorry to understand that yᵉ. French have been able to fortify themselves so well, as to have it in their power to disturb yᵉ. Compaˢ. Pepper Trade.

Tho yᵉ. Allies they have gain'd, may be at present flush'd wᵗʰ. yᵉ. Assurances given them of a large Reinforcement of Men & Mony in Septembʳ. Yet they are like to be disappointed & consequently will be disheartend for yᵉ. Gentlemen of Pondicherry expect only one ship from Europe this Year which gives Reason to beleive that after their Investmᵗ. is Provided for, they will have no large Sums to Spare for that Service.

We have no late Intelligence of their designs, when we hear of any thing Intended, we shall be Sure to give You early advice of it. We are

Worshᴸᴸ. Sᴿ. & Sᴿˢ.

Yoʳ. Very Humble Servᵗˢ.

James Macrae.
Nathᴸᴸ. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyott.

Fort Sᵀ. George
July yᴱ. 1 1726.

No. 34

To the Worshipᴸᴸ : Robᵀ : Symonds Esqᴿ :
&cᴬ : Council at Vizagapatam

Worshipᴸᴸ : Sᴿ & Sᴿˢ.

We have nothing to add to our Letter of 13° of June Which was forwarded you by two Conveyances Only that we are useing endeavours to engage the Beaters You write for to go down to You. Wherein if we succeed they shall be sent by the first occation [*sic*] that offers.

We have Ordered Ten Candy of Copper to be Coyned into Dubbs for You with the utmost expedition Which shall be likewise sent You the sooner we possibly can.

We are
Gentlemen
Your Friends & Servᵗˢ.
James Macrae
[&cᵃ. Council].

Fort Sᵀ. George
July the 1ˢᵀ. 1726.

No. 35

To the Honᴮᴸᴱ. Henry Frankland Esqᴿ.
President & Governour of Fort William
&cᴬ. Council

Honᴮᴸᴱ. Sᴿ. & Sᴿˢ.

Here inclosed is Duplicate of our Letter to Your Honour &cᵃ. the 23ᵈ. April since which we have recᵈ. the favour of Yours dated the 19° of that Month.

The Middlesex Cap^t^. Pelley who arrived here the 19°. Ultimo & proceeded for Your Port the 23^d^. will before this can reach You have delivered Your Honour &c^a^. the Packet from Europe f[or your] Presidency. Wherein You will have rec^d^. advice of the large Quantity of Tonnage sent us out this Year. Of the Eight Ships for this Coast & Bay Six have arrived here, the Essex and Derby are still expected. The Middlesex made no longer stay here than was absolutely necessary to fill Water. We have acquainted Cap^t^. Pelley that he must proceed without Loss of time agreable to your Desire. The Sarum who arrived two Days ago & the Dawsone will follow this Ship with all Expedition.

Inclosed Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will receive Invoyces & Bills of Lading for Salt Petre Redwood & Treasure consigned to You by the Ship Mary. We should, as you desired, not have put much Petre aboard the ships consign'd us but as none of them this Year has brought out Iron Kintlage as they did the last we have an Opportunity of geting rid of a good Quantity of that Commodity by supplying them with their Charterparty Kintlage Which we are likewise obliged to do otherwise they must take in Sand before they can deliver the heavy Goods consigned to the Port, and considering the Number of Ships that will come to You this Year more than the last. We cannot doubt but they will require at least as large a Quantity of Petre as the Shiping of last Year did so that we cannot apprehend it will be any way prejudicial to our Hon^ble^. Masters Interest, in the present Case, that we give the Ships consigned to Us their Charterparty Kintlage in Salt Petre.

We send You Twenty Chests of Silver Coyned into Rupees & Twenty Chests in Dollars, the whole out of the Treasure sent us out this Year. We continue Coyning Rupees for You and shall dispatch the ship with them as fast as they are ready. We shall observe the directions Your Honour &c^a^. have given us relating to Treasure consigned to You and shall send You most part of what our Hono^ble^. Masters have consigned us in order to enable you to enlarge Your Investment all You can. We are in no want of Money here but have reason to apprehend a Deficiency even in the small Number of Bales we have Contracted Which We hope may be Supplyed by Your Honour &c^a^. being so ple[nty] and early furnished with Treasure as You are.

As Your honour &c^a^. find it [well that the] Bales of Vizagapatam Cloth proposed to be Washed by Your [people] should be sent early and the season being considerably advanced we may delay making that Experiment till next Year.

Having been obliged by the Misconduct of M^r^. Wa[lsh] Deputy Governor of Fort Marlborough to dismiss him the service we have sent over M^r^. Torriano Supravisor and Ordered him to en[quire] into the Demand made from Bengal on the Estate of Giles Firman and to recover the Money & report to us his Proceedings in that Affair.

We propose if Possible to dispatch the Essex (being the smallest ship) with a Thousand Bales for Europe in October In wh[ich] we cannot expect to have ready above Two thousand Bales for the January shiping. We would hope to have that Number but d[o] not depend upon it, so difficult it is with us to procure a Quantity of Cloth & Good.

We are

FORT S~T~. GEORGE HON^BLE^. S^R^. & S^RS^.

JULY THE 2^D^. 1726.

Your Very humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE
&c^a^. Council.

P.S.

We send likewise Enclosed Copy of the Marys Charter Party and two Packets we have Rec^d^. from the Hon^ble^. Court for Your Honour &c^a^. Council.

J.M.

No. 36

To the Worshipll. George Toriano Esqr.
Supravisor of the West Coast of Sumatra &ca. Council there

At the Arrival of the Grantham from Fort Marlborô we received a Genll. Letter from the late Deputy Governor Mr. Walsh & Council, which not giving us so satisfactory an account of affairs we Expected, nor giving any good reasons for disobeying some positive Orders of Ours, hath, with the addition of some private Advices of Mismanagement induced us to resolve to Dismiss the said Mr. Walsh from his Employ, And accordingly we now send Mr. Torriano over Supravisor Deputy Governor with a Commission from us empowering him to take upon him that Post And we do require You who are nominated in the said Commission for a Council with him, to be as Assistant as lies in your Powers in giving him the greatest insight into Our Honble. Masters affairs as possible. We now come to answer Your Letters by the Grantham Under the usual heads.

First as to Shipping.

It is a very unaccountable that You should have detained the George Brigantine Notwithstanding our repeated positive Orders to the Contrary, and the excuse is very trifling about the wants of Lascars, for if Coffrees do up and down the Coast they would likewise have done at Sea, and as for any service for her up the Coast the Grantham might have taken in all the Pepper at Moco Moco as well as she without any Expence to the Company.

It is likewise very surprising that You should send the Grantham an Empty ship to Fort St. George to be returned You when you must know, that it will be a difference of three or four Months Demorage.

Secondly as to Goods from Europe or Fort St. George.

What we have sent you agreable to your demands the Invoices will tell you, and we Expect that the utmost Care be taken of them what Medicines we can spare, You will receive by this Ship.

Thirdly as to Investments & Fourthly the Country Government.

The Arrack & Sugar you sent us proves not so satisfactory as we hope the next will, and we do hereby give positive D[irection to] the Supravisor & the rest of You to Examine thoroughly into the [reason] he has not made larger quantities. We will not permit the advance [of] any Mony for making another Grinding House.

We are sorry for the Revolt in Anack Soongey & hope this ship will find every thing in Peace again, if not you must take [the] best Measures procureing one, as to the Dattue Buggesse we will have him encouraged for his fidelity & bravery by being entertained in [his] full Pay as formerly.

We are pleased to find you have a likelyhood of being Supply'd with Inhabitants from the ill treatment the Country about you met with from Sultan Annoom & depend upon your Care & Vigilance for increasing the Pepper Trade since you know the Company's design in keeping the West Coast is to be well supply'd with that Comodity, to this end you must take frequent surveys, & be sure to keep the People to their Duty.

Your Account of the Pepper Gardens is satisfactory enough and we are willing to beleive they are true, as to the affair of Samanca & Pulo Pesong You may endeavor to get what Pepper you can from thence as well as from Lenow & Se Coonce but be cautious not to give the Dutch any handle to Quarrell.

Fifthly Fortifications Buildings Repairs & Revenues.

We are glad to hear that your Buildings are finished [and] are done so as to last that the abominable lavishing the Company's [money] in Materials may Cease.

Sixthly touching Factors Writers Officers & their Accounts.

We observe the death of Mr. Sherven & the dismistion Mr. Wilford for his Notorious behavior.

We do not think proper to allow Mr. Deane any In[terest] for his Bill nor for the Cooly Cogas, nor can we so well understand how [you] come to allow him so much time for making up his Accounts nor do [we] at all like your readmitting anybody after suspension before our pleasure was known as in the Case of Lievt: Jeddere, as for Mr. Maskeline we can [by] no means admitt of him as a Factor but if he is inclinable to Continue Ensigne we permit it

The Complaints of Goods being stolen are so frequent from the West Coast that we can't think of allowing these Excuses, however we would have the Supravisor Examine into the affair more fully for our further Notice.

We have considered what you write about Mr. Elliot & have thought fit to allow him the salary of Mr. Moore from the time of his death to the receipt hereof as a gratuity for his Care & Diligence.

We can't tell how to admit of any increase of the Expence on the Coast however if it be found absolutely necessary we must permit you to Entertain a few more Buggueeses, for we cant supply you with Soldiers being ourselves very much streighten'd.

We send you Ten Lascars & a Syrang for the George Brigantine & have advanced them Four Months Imprest.

We likewise send you some Longcloth for Purchase of Pepper at Moco Moco & do order that in future it be paid away to the Malays and no more than 75 Dollars ₰ Corge & if any one whatsoever shall pay it away at a greater price he shall immediately be turned out of the Service.

You must give us Credit for one hundred Pagodas for the Supravisors Passage over.

Inclosed You will receive Invoice & Bills of Lading for Wares and Stores Consigned You as also separate Bill of Lading for Petre furnish'd Capt. Feild at his Request which you must take Care to include in a seperate Bill of Lading to England. We wish this ship safe to You & are

WORSHIPLL: SR: & SSR.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE THE 22D 1726.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servts.
JAMES MACRAE
&CA. Council

No. 37.

TO THE WORSHIPLL: GEORGE TORRIANO ESQR.
SUPRAVISOR OF THE WEST COAST OF SUMATRA

SIR

We herewith deliver you a Commission appointing You Supravisor & Deputy Governor of the West Coast of Sumatra in which station We hope you will behave yourself so as the extraordinary Trust reposed in You requires and so as to answer our Honble: Masters expectations on these ocasions.

The way to do this is to be exact in Your examination of the Companys affairs at Bancoolen to beleive nothing too minute for your inspection, but to search strictly into every particular. To be carefull to find out what is the reason we have been disappointed in the Pepper and [how what] has been Received was paid for, You are also to examine why [he] has been advanced so much Money, and why he has me[. . .] Arrack & Sugar. What has been done with the Companys Treasure which we have hear'd has been part of it unjustly made use of by the late Deputy Goverr. You are also to enquire how and in what manner the Companyes

Wares & Stores have been disposed of or employ'd, whether there be any or what mismanagem^{t}. in the Military and buggeeses and in fine You are to examine every article in the Company's Accounts and give us full and clear reports [. . .].

You carry with you some Letters of At [. . .] Creditors of M^{r}. Walsh which we permit you to execute [& when] you [Compare] the Companys Accounts with M^{r}. Walshes & those of the said Creditors and [all the] Legal Demands are comply'd with by him You may permit him to go to Europe on the Grantham or else to come hither, by the first Conveyance that offers. You must also remember to examine into the Accounts of Cap^{t}. Giles Firmins Estate & remit the produce to us, we having re^{cd}. Letters from the Bay requesting we would give such Orders.

We give You herewith Copy of the Hon^{ble}: Court of Directors Instructions to our President when Supravisor of Bencoolen & of his report of his Transactions on his Arrival here which you must be carefull to see have been comply'd with since his departure, Your carrying them with you makes us the shorter in these Instructions.

You must dispatch the Grantham to Europe with all speed and if on the Carnarvons arrival You have Pepper enough with the September Crop to load her within Forty Tons you are to do it & send her home because the large quantity of Tonnage & the difficulties of providing Goods will make it impossible for us to dispatch her before August 1727. [And] therefore it will be much more for our Masters advantage to pay de[morage] Freight for so many Tons than demorage till that time.

In Case you have a prospect of thus Dispatching Carnarvon You may keep the George Brigantine to bring you back, [otherwise] You must send her away immediately after you are able to give an [. . .] on Your examination You should find M^{r}. Carnegie clear of the [. . .] complained of in M^{r}. Walsh You may leave the Government [with him but if] he be faulty orderd you must then continue at Bencoolen till [further] orders from us, an the same should M^{r}. Carnegie be in an ill state of health [as he] may probably be incapacitated from taking that Charge on him.

We have received this Year the following Paragraph relating to M^{r}. Hubbard.

We observe the Letters by the Sunderland endeavors to extenuate M^{r}. Hubbards management and to blanch over his Actions while Supravisor of the West Coast. But we say there is no contesting with plain matter of Fact, the Expences in his time were prodigious. Let him if he can show us [what] Valuable retrenchments he made, did he not rather give a sanction to the lavish expences of the Coast by shifting only the hands but not lessening the disbursements If his Ten thousand Dollars Bill You paid was payable in a great part to Cap^{t}. Pyke why was it to be kept in the dark, would not plain truth best justify itself. In a word whatever any of you may think or would suggest to Us we cannot at all commend his management, nor think the better of those that endeavor [to] justify it, and thô Cap^{t}. Pyke is mentioned as unworthy to be believed and the very naming him makes the subject disagreable to the Penman, It is very plain that some things he told us carry'd the greatest probability of Veracity, and that the Council of Fort S^{t}. George thought their orders superior even to ours, with relation to his being Deputy Governour, Let this Account of M^{r}. Hubbards be again examind by the New Council, and send us how You find it. Our now President being a good Judge whether he is or how further Culpable.

We therefore direct that you do make it your business to Examine into and make Your self Master of the Accounts during His Supervisorship, and give us the fullest Acc^{ts}. thereof that you are able, that so when you shall have made the Report we may the better proceed to the puting Our Hon^{ble}: Masters Orders in execution.

You must further examine into the Moco Moco Accounts and know why they are not passed as they ought to be.

We are in hopes the September Crop will be sufficient for the Carnarvon, but should it not, keep her with you for the Febry Crop, wh[ich] we expect will be enough, but should both fall short, You are then to send [her] over here in May. We are

WORSHIP: S^{R}.

Your Affectionate Freinds & Servants

FORT S^{T}: GEORGE
THE 22^{D}. JUNE 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^{LL}: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^{LL}: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 38.

JAMES MACRAE ESQ^{R}.]
GOVERNOUR OF [F^{T}. S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}.
COUNCIL TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS
SHALL [COME GREETING]

KNOW Y^{E}. that by Vertue of a Power granted by the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors for the Affairs of the Hon^{ble}. United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies We reposing especiall Trust & Confidence in the Fidelity, Prudence, Justice & Circumspection of George Torriano Esq^{r}. have made, Constituted and Ordained, & by these Presents do make, Constitute & Ordaine the said George Torriano Esq^{r}. to be our Supravisor & Deputy Governour of and for all the Affairs of the Hon^{ble}. English East India Company on the West Coast of Sumatra as also of [all] the Forts and Settlements upon the said Coast, & Comander in Chief of all the Forces [that] now are, or hereafter may or shall be employ'd for the service of the said United Company upon the said Coast and to execute all & every the Powers & Authorities therein appertaining, by Order & Direction of the Court of Directors of the said United Company for the time being, & by such Orders and Directions as shall be rec^{d}. [from y^{e}. Gov^{r}.] and Council of this Place for the time being & to continue [in the exercise] of the same dureing our Pleasure, & till the contrary shall [be signified] under our hands & the Companys Seal, or by Order from thirteen or more of the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors for the time being, and to the End the said Geo: Torriano Esq^{r}. may be better enabled to manage all the Companys Affairs on the said West Coast, We do by these Presents Constitute & ordain M^{r}. David Carnegie to be Second of Council, M^{r}. Geo: Temper third, M^{r}. Phill: Heyham Wheake fourth, M^{r}. David Walsh fifth & M^{r}. Alex^{r}. Smith sixth for the Governing and Manag^{s}. all the Company's [affairs on] the West Coast of Sumatra, and all the Forts & Settlements therein [. . .] And We do hereby give and grant unto our said Sup[ravisor & Deputy Gov^{r}.] and Council aforenamed, or the Major part of them (where of the Supravisor always to be one) the whole Council being duely Summon'd, full Power & Authority from time to time to Rule and Govern all Factors & Servants under their Jurisdiction & also all Soldiers & Inhabitants of Bencolen and all other Settlements of the West Coast of Sumatra, to administer lawfull Oaths as occasion shall require and to do & perform all such other Acts & things, and to the end execute all such other Powers and Authorities as their Predecessors have been Authorised to do, according to their instructions & directions formerly receiv'd from the said Court of Directors of the said United Company, And We the Gov^{r}. and Council of Fort St. George do hereby Order & require Factors, Servants, Officers & Soldiers within the limitts of the West Coast, and all the People & Inhabitants of Bencolen &c^{a}. Collonies to conform, submit, & yeild due obedience, unto the said George Torriano Our Supravisor and Deputy Governour & his Council accordingly. And we do by Virtue of the Power granted us hereby Revoke, recall, annul & make void all former Commissions given & granted either from England or this Place to Joseph Walsh Esq^{r}: In Witness whereof we have orderd the common Seal of the Company to be affixed to these Presents, whereunto we have set our hands this 22^{d}.

day of June in [the] Twelfth Year of Our Sovereign Lord George by the Grace of God of Great [Britain] France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &ca. and in the Year of [our Lord one] thousand seven hundred & twenty six.

James Macrae.

Nathll. Turner.

John Emmerson.

Rand: Fowke.

James Hubbard.

Josh. Houghton.

No. 39

Fort St. George 22nd. June 1726.

Manifest of Goods laden by Geo. Torriano on bd: ship Grantham for Bencoolen, for his Account, Vizt.

Five Bundles of Blue Succatoons											Pagds. 173	9	—
Bales Blue Sallampores											375	13	4[..]
Five Bales Metchlepatam Goods Vizt.													
1 qt. Hankerchiefs	4	Co. @ 20	18	⅌ Corge				Pagds. 82	—	—			
1 Do. Large	3½	@ 31	18	Do.				110	9	—			
1 Do. Large Cambay	5	@ 18	—	Do.				90	—	—			
1 Do. Allejars	4½	@ 19	—	Do.				85	—	—			
			P		P								
1 qt. Lungees large	4	@ 10	18	Do.	42	—	—						
Do. Small	4	@ 8	—	Do.	32	—	—						
Do. Large Haukers.	P 15	@ 42	—	D.	31	18	—						
								105	—	—			
											473	9	—
Wrappers, Gunneys, Ropes, Twine & Packing											3	21	—
1 Bale Green Moorrees qt. 6 Co.											102	—	—
Custom & Cooley											1	22	—
Dying @ 5 ⅌ Corge											30	—	—
											1159	2	4
2 Bales Single Cambays											180	—	—
4 Bales Blue Sallampores											200	11	40
1 Bale of Pegu Cambays qt. 9 Co. @ 2½											22	18	—
18 Chests of Wine											..		
5 Chests of Beer											..		
6 Casks of Goa Arrack											..		
3 Cases of Do.											..		
1 Chest Candles											..		
8 Chests of Cloaths & other Necessarys											200	—	—
1 Bale Blue Cloth											49	26	—
Pagodas											1811	22	2

By Mr. James Hubbard.

One Chaise & Harness	45	—	[.]
One Bale of Sallampores qt. 5 @ 45 – – ⅌ Co.	225	—	[.]
Chints qt. 7 patch	40	—	[.]
Pagodas	311	—	—

A List of Goods licenced to be shiped to [Fort] Marlbrô.
By Mr. John Lander.

D C No. 1	2	To Parcels of Plough Traces, Value	Pags.	13	12	50
No. 3	4	Two Bales of Blue Sallampores qt. 10 Co. @ 17 pa. ..		276	24	76
	5	One Bale of Cambays .. .. 5 Corge ..				
		Wearing Apparell & other Necessaries		188	4	40
		Pagds. ..		478	6	6

By Padre Thomas.

Directed	1	Box qt. 2 Mad of Wax Candles, two Bottles of Snuff & 3 pieces of Cloth	..
	1	Baskett qt. 2 Md of Wax	..

By David Pyot.

P N	3	Bales Long Cloth Blue	137	9	—
	2	Do. Sallampores Blue	106	—	—
	1	Do. Long Cloth Ordinary	37	18	—
	1	Do. Sallampores White	31	18	—
		Pagods. ..	312	9	0

No. 40

To the Worshipll. Geoge. Morton Pitt Esqr.
Deputy Govr. of Fort St. David &ca. Council

Worshipll. Sr. and Sirs

We have received Your Letter of Date ye. [23d] Instant Enclosing a state of Your Investment to which we shall write You an answer in a day or two.

This serves to Advise You we have return'd Rama Sloop to You, and to Enclose Invoice & bill of Lading of what [wares] & Stores we cou'd send you by this Conveyance what remains shall be sent you by the next. We are

Worshipll. Sr. & Sirs

Your Affecte. Freinds & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathll. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Josh. Houghton.
David Pyot.

Fort St. George
27o. June 1726.

P.S.—Since Our last the Europe Ships Craggs and Dawsonne are Arrived Us.

No. 41

[To the Worshipll.] Geo: Morton Pitt Esqr.
[Depty. Govr. of] Fort St. David &ca. Council.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 1st. Instt. has been received, and a supply of Pagodas 10,000 to your Cash Order'd, With which the Peons will set out tomorrow Morning, Which I am Order'd to advise, that you may send Your Peons to meet them at the usual Place. I am

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

Your Most Obedient Humble. Servt.
David Pyot
Secry.

Fort St. George
4o. July 1726.

No 42

To the Worship^ll^. George M. Pitt Esq^r^.
Deputy Gov^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Council

Worship^ll^. Sir & Sirs

We write You this inclosing a Copy of a Consultation held in the Sorting Godown on occasion of opening & examining the Bales You lately sent us upon the Sloop Rama as we had resolved & acquainted you in our last. Your Salampoores & Blew Long Cloths are very good, all the other sorts extremly bad. The Bale we have resolved to send the Deputy Gov^r^. for a speciment (*sic*) shall be sent off ℘ the first proper Conveyance.

It is very disagreeable to Us to have reason to Complain of Your Cloths, but those of them we have mentioned to be inferiour to the Numbers they are sorted to, are of so very bad a Quality that the Gentlemen that sorted them deserve Your severe Censure, Which we hope will prove sufficient Caution to them & others in future.

We are

Fort S^t^. George
the 6°. July 1726.

Worship^ll^. Sir & Sirs
Your Affecti^te^. Friends & Servants
James Macrae.
Nath^ll^. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Rand^ll^. Fowke.
James Hubbard
Jos^h^. Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 43

To the Hon^ble^. Henry Frankland Esq^r^.
President & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of Fort William.

Hon^ble^. Sir & Sirs

This incloses Duplicate of Our last ℘ Ship Mary & Bill of Lading for the Treasure consigned Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. by that Conveyance. Before Cap^t^. Holden was ready to sail Cap^t^. Hodgson of the Dawsonne got ready likewise & proceeded with him.

Having very pressing occasion for soldiers to recruit this & the Garrisons of the Supordinate (*sic*) Settlements to this P[residency] & the Hon^ble^. Company having sent us out very few Recruits [. . .] We have Ordered Cap^t^. Newton of the Sarum to put [out here] Seven Men out of the Soldiers sent upon said ship [for your] Presidency. Which we hope will meet Your Approbation.

Yesterday the Darby Cap^t^. Fitzhugh who came out in Company with the Essex imported here having [parted] Company w^th^. the other ship. They left England the 4°. of March [. . .] Letter for [us] is dated the 24° Febry. We received inclosed the Acc[ots . . .] Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. and have Ordered the Secretary [. . .] Care all the Private Letters that came amongst [. . .].

We shall send Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. in a few days the Thirty Chests of Silver Coyned into Rupees, which we advised in our last & have resolved to make up the Number of 100 Chests of Treasure for your Presidency out of what we have received this Year, which we hope will enable Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. to supply the Deficiency of Tonnage we apprehend.

The Nancy from Mocha imported here yesterday by which occasion we have the advice that our Hon^ble^. Masters Ships Barrington & Princess Amelia were arrived there, That the Charles Capt. Wilkie was to sail in a few days, & that Capt. Hunter of the Barrington brought advice that the Pyrates that run away with the sd. Seaship were at an Island between Madagascar & the Main.

Two ship from Ostend arrived in Pondicherry Road the 7th. Instt. where the Capts. & Supracargoes went ashoar & were entertaind at Dinner by the Governours. We have not yet heard of their arrival at Covalong 'tis reported they intended their Chief Settlement on this Coast to be at Metchlepatam. We are

HONBLE: SIR & SIRS

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 10°. JULY 1726.

Your Very Humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE
&ca. Council.

No. 44

[TO THE HONBLE. HENRY] FRANKLAND ESQR.
[PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA.] COUNCIL OF [FORT WILLIAM].

HONBLE. SIR & SIRS

You will receive here inclosed Duplicate of our Letter ℘ ship Sarum together with Invoice & bill of Lading of 40 Chests of Treasure Consigned Your Honr. &ca. upon this ship Vizt. in Rupees Thirteen Chests & Bullion 27. We continue Coyning for you and shall till we dispatch the later ship. Inclosed is likewise the King Georges Charterparty.

Yesterday imported here the Essex & brought the accompanying two Packetts for Your Honr. &ca. and the Letter for your Honr. & the Second of Council, what private Letters were received [. . .] by this ship the Secretary has Orders to recommend to Capt. [Hought] on's Care.

We hear from Pondicherry that the 11°. the two [French] Ships were prepairing to sail for Covalong. We are

HONBLE: SIR & SIRS

Your Very Humble Servants

[FORT] ST. GEORGE
THE 13°. JULY 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDLL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PIOT.

No. 45

TO THE WORSHIPLL. GEOE. MORTON PITT ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

We have received Your Letter of the 9° Inst: and are glad to hear the Pagods. 10,000 we sent you had been received.

As You desire in your Vindication of Cloths we complained of in our last, that we would compare the Cloth complained of with Your Musters, we expected you would have sent them us by this time We asure You we examined Your Clothes by our Musters which we take to be the same with Yours. But as You insist they should be judged of by Your Musters, when we have recd. them we shall reexamine Your clothes by them [&] give You all the satisfaction in [. . .] points.

It was omited to acquaint [. . .] Opinion Your Clothes are a great deal too [. . .] of Conjee more than ours. Which we desire may [. . .] Complained of the over Conjeeing of Clothes.

We send You herewith two Samples of Cam[brick] and the Paragraph of the Company's Letter relating to them, and desire to know whether you can procure any Muslins in those Parts that will come near them Or any other Clothes of the Cambrick Threads. Your fine Succatoons have a resemblance to Cambrick. If you could engage your merchants to imitate said Samples' twould be an exceptable Service & turn the Country to account.

We wish You Success in the Investment & hope You will send us the Rama quickly with another Lading. We are

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your Affecte. Friends & Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 15°. JULY 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 46

TO ROBERT SYMMANDS ESQR. &CA.
FACTORS AT VIZAGAPATAM.

SIR & SIRS

The inclosed is Duplicate of Our last Not having hear'd from You some time we are in pain to know the Situation of Affairs with you particularly what progress you have made in the Investment.

We desire to know as soon as you can what Quantity of Bales may be depended upon from You in September, distinguishing the White and Brown Goods & as near as you can form a Judgment [what] Quantity of Bales We may expect from you this season. We would have you be as exact as possible in this Computation. Th[at we may] be enab[led] from the Acct. we shall rece. from you & what Judg[ment . . .] at Fort St. David to advise the Presidency of Fort [William . . .] We can fill up this [Season].

We desire to know at the same time what further supply [. . .] will want towards Your Investment that we may [. . .] upon one of the latter Ships we shall dispatch for Bengall, [. . .] with the Ten Candy of Copper coyn'd into Dubbs, which they are at work upon with all the expedition possible.

All the Companys Ships are arrived us safe. We rely upon your Endeavours for procureing all the Good Cloths You can & are

SIR & SIRS

Your Friends & Servants

FORT ST: GEORGE
THE 21ST. JULY 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHALL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDLL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 47

[To John Bl]unt Esq^r^.

Sir

I am Ordered by the Governour and Council to write You this, Desiring you will acquaint them the soonest You can what Quantity of Bales you can send them in September distinguishing the Number of White and Brown Goods. They order me to recommend it to You, that you use all Your Endeavours to procure the largest Quantity of Good Clothes You can in those Parts.

In this station I shall be glad to know wherein I can be usefull to You. The reason these Peons have been detain'd so long was to wait the arrival of all the ships Expected from Europe this Year That they might carry M^rs^. Symmonds & You the Company's Orders if any new had been receiv'd and likewise to carry You Your Letters. I am

Sir

Fort S^t^. George
the 21^st^. July 1726.

Your Very Humble Servant
David Pyot
Sec^y^.

No. 48

To the Hon^ble^. Henry Frankland Esq^r^.
President & Gover^r^. of Fort William &c^a^. Council

Hon^ble^. Sir & Sirs

This serves to inclose Duplicate of our last to you ℔ the King George and Invoyce & Bill of Lading of Treasure & Stores consigned to Your Honour &c^a^: upon this ship Craggs Treasure we would say 20 Chests of Madrass Rupees for Your Presidency & Twenty Chests of Bullion intended by our Hon^ble^. Masters for the Presidency of Bombay You will have observed by their Letter last sent you that they have sent Forty Chests for use of that Presidency upon the Essex & Derby each Twenty Chests, Which Your Hon^r^. &c^a^: are directed to send them upon the Europe ship goi[ng . . .] Voyage to Surat. Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will find that in [. . .] one Bag of Silver containing Oz^s^. 297 [. . .] we received it so Inclosed, You will receive [. . .].

The two Ostend [. . .] we are informed they are Coyning Rupees [. . .] for a proper situation in that Neighbourhood [. . .] built a Fort.

By the Charlet arriv'[d . . .] have advice that the Companys ship Barrin[gton . . .] there 50 Chests of Treasure was to procceed directly [. . .] Cawn expected to Lade the Drake and Princess Amelia for England if the Price of Coffee did not advance more t han he apprehend^d^. Twas then at 140, 142 Spanish Dollars ℔ Bahar at Beetlefucka.

The Stores We send Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. upon this ship are 17 Anchors 9 of which were consigned Us from England upon said ship & are Invoyc'd to You as they were to Us, the other 8 Cap . Grantham took aboard at the Cape of Good hope & are part of the wreck of the Nightingal, Which Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will be pleased to Value. We have no Invoyce of them.

Having a very large Quantity of Anchors on hand, much exceeding the Demand here, we judged it for Our Hon . Masters Interest to consign y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^a^. the said 17 because the Demand is much greater with You. We are

Hon^ble^. Sir & Sirs

Fort S^t^. George
the 21^st^. July 1726.

Your Very Humble Servants
James Macrae.
&c^a^. Council.

No. 49

[To the Worship^ll. Geo^e.]Morton Pitt Esq^r.
[Deputy Gov^r.] &c^a. Council of Fort [S^t. David.]

Worship^ll. Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 20 Ultima ℘ Sloop Rama and the 66 Bales of Callicoes consigned to Us by that Coveyance together with Your Musters Which we have this day comp[ared] with ours & find the Musters of Long cloth Ordinary N°. 1 & 2 to be much inferiour to ours, thô chosen at the same time by M . Henry Davenport then Warehousekeeper. We cannot account for the reason of sending Fort S^t. David Musters so much different from Ours ; However this is not [to] be amended dureing the Present Contract which you made with your Contractors by the said Musters, We have therefore upon compairing the[m with ours] had condem'd in Consultation held the 6 Ult°. and finding the [. .] to Your Musters, allowed them & Orderd them to be embaled All [but the Long] Cloth Middling which we then mentioned & Valued : In relat[ing whic]h we see no reason to alter our Judgment, for having Compar'd with Your Musters of these sortments We find it does not come near them [&] cannot be valued to the Company above the price we have Adviced You upon the whole we have to recommend to the Deputy Gov^r. particulars of what care be taken by the sorters that the Cloths they take in, be fully equal to Muster, as the only remedy in the present Case. Having found the Ball of Cloth we had intended to send You equal to Your Musters, we have now Orderd it to be taken in with the rest.

The Musters of Succatoons M^r. Pitt sent us is a very good Cloth & well worth the Money, but as you may probably find some other Musters in your Neighbourhood that will come nearer the Cambrick Fabrick, We desire You will send us them the soonest You can. It appears to Us that if Succatoons can be procured so much beyond the Musters we have received, as the Deputy Gov^r. Informs, & the Weavers will take care to have the Threads even spun and harder & not strick (*sic*) the Cloth quite so close, they may, in good measure, answer the Musters of Cambrick sent you, We depend upon Your Endeavours in this affair & your Success would be very acceptable with our Hon^ble. Masters.

We have enquired of the Storekeeper about the Deficiency you mention in the Salt Petre sent you last upon the Rama & he assures us it was deliverd full Weight so that the s^d. Deficiency must have happen'd upon the Passage. We are

Worship^ll. Sir & Sirs

Fort S^t. George
1^st. August 1926.

Your Affec^te. Freinds & Serv^ts :
James Macrae
&c^a. Councill.

No. 50

To the Hon^ble. Henry Frankland Esq^r.
President & Gov^r : of Fort William &c^a. Council

Hon^ble. Sir & Sirs

This accompanys Duplicate of our Last ℘ the Craggs and Copy of the Essex's Charter party with Invoyce & Bill of Lading for Twenty Chests of Rupees consigned you upon this Ship We propose that the Derby shall follow by the 15^th. Instant.

Having lately received Advice from Vizagapatam that they have no Conveyance there to send us their Bales upon, We must request Your Hon^r. &c^a. to dispatch two ships Back to us as early as [possible with] Orders to call there for what Bales they may have ready [. . .] Part of the Clothes we receive from thence being [. . .] them early, we shall not have time to [. . .] Dispatching the ships for Europe, And if [. . .] we must desire that he may be Order'd to . . .] what Bales they may have remaining.

Our Investment a [. . .] that we cannot promise ourselves above Three [. . .] Shipping. They give us hopes to Compleat that Number but [. . .] them with any Certainty. We now advise the [. . .] proportion the Tonnage to be return'd us accom [. . .].

We hear from Surat that the Company ship Barrington was arrived at Bombay the 2d. of June, and might be expected on this Coast some time this Month on his way to Your Port.

If there is like to be any considerable difference in time betwixt the Dispatch of the ships Your Honr: &ca: shall order to call at Vizagapatam, It will be of use to Mr. Symmonds to be advised of it & how many You Order to call. We are

Fort St. George
the 5th. August 1726.

Honble. Sir & Sirs

Your Very Humble Servants
James Macrae.
Nathll: Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hub[bard.]
[Joseph Houghton.]
[David Pyot.]

No. 51

[To Robert Symonds] Esqr.
[Cheif &ca Council of]Vizagapatam

Gentlemen,

This incloses Duplicate of our last with Invoyce and Bills of Lading for one Box of Madrass Pagodas, Two chests of Rupees and Eleven Chests of Copper Dubbs sent You upon this Ship Essex, [The remainder of] the Dubbs shall be sent You by the first proper Conveyance. We hope what we now send you with the supply of Cash will further Your Investment and enable You to provide us a larger Quantity of Good Cloth.

Because we shall be much streighten'd in time to get Your Bales Washed this Year, being disappointed of receiving them so early as usual, We would recommend to You to get as much of Your Clothes [wa]shed as possible, Taking care however that it be so well performed that we [may not be] put to the necessity of having it wash'd over again.

We send you upon this ship six Beaters whome [we have] engaged at Pags. 2 a Month each, and have advanced them one [months] Wages each to leave with their Familys here for their subsistance.

We have requested the President & Council of Fort William, by this occasion, to dispatch the ships to be return'd us as early as possible, with orders to Call at your Port and bring us what Bales you shall have ready as they arrive you, and that they may advise you by the first Dispatched, how many ships you may expect to care & as near as they can the time when, that You may prepare for them. We are

Fort St. George
the 5th. August 1726.

Gentlemen

Your Affecte. Friends & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathll. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Jos . Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 52

To Capt. Jonathan Sommers
Commandr. of Ship Essex

Sir

You are hereby Order'd to repair on bd. the ship Essex & to make the best of your way for the Port of Vizagapatam where You are to deliver to the Chief & Council [the treasure & wares] consigned them, and afterwards to [proceed to the port of Calcutta] to deliver to the Honble. the President [and Council at Bengal the] Treasure consigned to that Presidency [and receive their orders for your] further proceedings. We wish You safe [Voyage and date this at Fort St.] George this 5° Day of August 1726.

James Macrae.
Nathll. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
Jams. Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 53

To Mr. John Blunt

Sir

We have received Your Letter of the 20° Ult°. & if Your ship Speedwell is in proper conditi[on . . .] & you have a capable White Man to take charge of her [. . .] leave to lade upon her the 160 Bales of Callicoes You ex[. . .] by the 20th. Inst. and desire you may dispatch her to us [. . .] expedition You can. We shall expect considerable Quantity [. . .] Shipping & shall return Your Ship Directly [. . .].

Your Care in taking [. . .] Good is commendable & which You must continue [. . .] Vizagapatam a good Quantity of Copper Dubbs upon the ship Essex & shall send You a proportion when we return the Speedwell to You.

We are

Fort St. George
the 6th. of August 1726

Sir

Your Affecte. Friends & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathll. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hub[bard].
Josh. [Houghton].
[David Pyot].

No. 54

[To Capt. James Ber]rriman.

Sir

Having Confidence in your Knowledge & Experience in the Affairs of Trade in Pegue & Syrian, and that You will to the utmost of Your Power assist and protect the Subjects of the British Nations Trade into these Parts, We hereby appoint & Constitute You Resident for the Affairs of the English Nation in the Kingdoms of Pegue & Syrian and Order that upon Your arrival in these Parts You demand possession of the Factory house of this Nation of Mr. Lewis Tornery now Resident there, Whose power & Commission from this Presidency we hereby revoke & supercede.

We have perticularly to recommend to you that [the grea]test prejudice has been occasioned to the Honble. Companys Revenue and to the [tra]de of the British Subjects in India by the Multitude of ships of [. . .] Built in Pegu & principally by Carpenters of the English Nation [and to] prohibit & restrain all Carpenters & others Subjects of Britain from builds. [any] New Bottoms in Pegu, and if they should attempt building contrary to Your prohibition That you send them over to Fort St. George.

You are to take care of the Interests of all British Subjects as far as You can & not to suffer the priviledges & liberties which have hitherto been allow'd them by the Country Government to be incroach'd upon, But rather to be enlarged if Possible & to see to the execution of Justice between man & man.

We expect you will transmit to us regularly an account of all Transactions of Moment, particularly of such matters as may affect the Trade & Immunities of the English Subjects in those Kingdoms.

We wish You Success in all affairs recommended to you and date this in Fort St. George this 8th. Day of August 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDLL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 55

TO THE HONBLE: HENRY FRANKLAND ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT WILLIAM &CA. COUNCIL

HONBLE: SIR & SIRS

The preceeding is Duplicate of our last ℔ Essex, and this encloses 2d. Bill of Lading & Invoice of what Wares & Treasures consigned Your Honr. &ca. by that conveyance & Invoice & Bill of Lading [of] Treasure & Wares we now consign You upon this ship Derby. The Treasure consists of Twenty Chests of Rupees amounting to 160000. The Value in Bullion & Rupees we have sent Your Presidency this Year, out of [what] consigned to this, by our Honble. Masters, is so very considerable that we hope [you] will find no Difficulty in providing for the Tonnage which we can now [. . .] The first ship consigned to Your Port that arrived here ha[d no] delay given him from us, nor none of the succeeding & the [ship de si]gned to Us we have forwarded to You without any Loss of time [. . .] Bullion & Rupees as fast as we cou'd possibly get them Coyn'd, Having Indeavourd by so doing all we could to facilitate the Honble. Companys Service [. . .] we heartily wish you all manner of Success [. . .] with us, we shall have no more consignments to [. . .] this season, but by one of the Country ships shall send [. . .] and advise any thing that shall offer of Consequence to be [known . . .]

We have with impatience [been awaiting all this] time the Account current of your Presidency with this, in order to finish the Ballancing our General Books, but have not as yet received it, We must on this occasion desire Your Honr. &c . will give directions, that in future we may receive Your Account Current earlier, which would be otherwise exceptable and enable us to be prepar'd in time with our Books of Accompts for an Early ship, when we shall dispatch one.

Mr. Barker arrived here upon the Essex and proceeded to the Bay upon the said ship. We hope he is well with You by this time.

A few days ago Two French Ships from Europe arrived at Pondicherry after having landed some men and Officers at May'e upon the Malabar Coast, Monsr. de Beawollier their late Governour is relieved by Monsr. le Noir. They have brought out besides Monsr. de l' Orine Second & several other new servants, they sail'd from France in January & on their way have seized an Interloper at Mascar[ine] it seems had been fitted out in Holland, The Capt & Ships Company remain at Mascarine, but the ship they have brought with them.

We have received no further [. . . .] Ships and therefore believe they are proceeded to [. . .].

The Number of ships lately Built at Pegu have [. . .] of very great prejudice to the Hon[ble]. Companys Revenues [. , .] Trade of India we have therefore Orderd our Resident there [. . .] the Building of any more New Bottoms there by English [. . .] without a licence first obtained from Us, But that to allow them to Repair such ships as may go there for that purpose, We hope this will prevent a growing Evil by bringing the shiping into such ends as will not send them to the More's Ports to avoid paying the Companys Customs. We are

HON[BLE]: SIR & SIRS
Your Very Humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATH[LL]: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND[LL]: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

FORT S[T]. GEORGE
THE 15 AUGUST 1726.

N°. 56

[To] CAPT: WILLIAM FITZHUGH
OF SHIP DERBY.

SIR

The Wind and Weather being favourable & what Treasure and Wares we intend for Fort William being now aboard You are hereby required to go aboard Your ship forthwith and to proceed to the Port of Calcutta in Bengall without loss of time Where being Arrived, You are to deliver to the Hon[ble]: President & Council of Fort William the Packett herewith deliverd You and the Treasure [&] Wares consigned to them upon Your said ship & receive their Orders for Your further proceedings. We wish You a safe Voyage to them & Date this in Fort S[t]. George this 15°. Day of August 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATH[LL]: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND[LL]: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

N°. 57

TO THE WORSHIP[LL]: GEO: MORTON PITT ESQ[R].
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. DAVID.

WORSHIP[LL]: SIR & SIRS

This serves only to [inclose] Extract of the Paragraphs of the General Letter rec[d]: from England this Year, relat[g]. to Your Settlement, To which we desire distinct Reasons in proper time, We have only to add by this occasion [that] We are

WORSHIP[LL]: SIR & SIRS
Your Affec[te]: Friends & Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATH[LL]: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND[LL]: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH: HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

FORT S[T]. GEORGE
THE 16°. AUGUST 1726.

N°. 58.

To Mr: John Sanderson Resident
at Metchlepatam

Sir

We received Your Letter of the 24°. Ult°. with the Musters You have sent us of what Cattles you could procure in those parts, To which we now answer,

That Your Musters being a great deal too much Conjeed, before we could make any Judgment of them, we were obliged to have the Conjee Washed out and having compared them with ours, We are agreed.

That the Long Cloth Fine N°. 1 is not fine enough & cannot be taking in at that price.

That the Long Cloth fine N°. 2 & 3 are pretty good for the price & you may procure us of these two sortments, taking care that Your Clothe be at least full as good as Musters.

That the Long Cloth Ordinary N°. 1 is likewise good & we say of it as of the two immediately preceeding Sortments.

That the Long Cloth Ordinary N°. 2 is not [fit for] the Company, being too thin.

That the Salampores Fine [. . .] but should be of a finer Thread & Closer struck, We allow you two sortments likewise, Taking care that the Thread be finer & Closer [struck].

That the Salampores Ordinary N°. 1 are only N°. 2 & must be made Thicker.

We would willingly encourage Trade for Cloth [. . .] order to enlarge our Investment and therefore have agreed to rem[mit] by Bill of Exchange Two thousand Madrass Pags. which You will receive here inclosed drawn by Daffie Ramasur, upon Daffie Nadugie payable to your Order which we direct You to Invest as soon as you can [in] the sortments here above allow'd of & to advise us from time to time the Progress you make, Your Reputation here and with our Honble. Masters & [your] future Encouragements in their service will depend much upon this [our] first Investment. To which we recommend it to you, to give ꝑticular Attention. They will allow of no Excuse from us for bad Clothe, of consequence You can expect none from us.

We observe the Difficulty you mention you had to bring the Weavers to agree to the Companys Breadths of the Salampores You must on no account admit of any under that Breadth, which must be full.

If the New Company's Factory house at Maddepol[lam ...] quite decay'd, as You represent it, that it cannot be repaired [& the] Wooden Materials good, We direct that you may have it taken [&] secured from the Weather in the other Factory house untill we see to give further Orders about them.

The three Sum̃s due for ground Rent of the Metchlepatam Factory amounting to Thirty Pagodas, we allow you to [. . .] & bring to Account. Thô we are very unwilling to agree to any Expence on the Companys Acct. without a Proportionable return of Profit We shall expect the Effects of Your Endeavours for them and afterwards take such measures as shall be judged most for their Interest.

We must, before we conclude this Letter, recom̃end it to you not to have your Clothe too much Conjeed, Which would prove a great disadvantage to them at the sales, by being discolour'd & much less valuable to the Eye as well as rotted with too much Conjee.

We heartily wish You Success in this undertak^s. and are

SIR

FORT S^T. GEORGE
THE 18^TH. AUGUST 1726.

Your Friends and Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 59.

TO ROB^T. SYMMONDS ESQ^R. CHIEF
&C^A. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

SIRS

The preceeding [is duplicate of] Our last to You ₽ Ship Essex & incloses Second Bill of Lod[ing & Invoice for] Treasure consigned you upon that Conveyance.

We now inclose You Invoice & Bill of Lading for Copper Dubbs 12 Chests ^v. 2,60,000, po ^ca. 3 142½ Amounting to in Value Three hundred & Four Pagodas 2. 28. —.

Upon this Ship Marlbrô we likewise send You four Soldiers, for whom you are to make Cap^t. Montgomery the Usual Allowance of Diet Money ₽ Diem upon their Passage.

It was ommitted in our last to advise You That the Company do bestow a whole Paragraph of Complaint in their last received Letter, upon the over conjee [. . .] The too great quantity of Conjee Affects [. . .] before it can reach the sales, that it discolours & [. . .] otherwise Good, little advantageous to them [. . .] tion and we require it should.

Thô You were advised in our last [that the] Beaters sent you upon the Essex had received only two Pagodas [here] to leave with their Familys, the Export Ware-housekeeper [reports] since That before he could perswade them to proceed, he was obliged to advance them each three Pag^ds : Account of their Wages Which we desire You may observe.

What produces this opportunity of sending Us early a Quantity of the Companys Bales is, the occasion we had of sending to Your Markett the remains of Cotton we had on hand here We must recommend to you the utmost Dispatch in returning the Marlbrô to us, which we shall expect by the 10 September, because we propose to fitt & Dispatch her for the West Coast before the Monsoon begins, & without she is returned to us about that time we shall, with great Difficulty be able to fitt & dispatch her in time.

We hope you have got a good quantity of Your Clothe well washed this Year, but as in probability you may have out of the Number of Bales on hand, sufficient of brown to load the [Marlbrô] We recommend it to You to load upon her all Brown Clothes, for [the] conveniency of time in having them Washed here before the Wet Sea [Beeze] commences, If you should not have a sufficient Quantity of Brown to [give her] a full Lading, You are in that Case to fill her on with [. . . .

All this while we are without You to inform Us the state of Affairs under Your Directions. You are [pleased to be] supply'd with Cash & we must expect an Investment in proportion, Where [in we wish] You success, and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
[THE 15TH. AUGUST] 1726.

SIRS

Your Affecte. Freinds & Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDLL: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

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[. . .] Money untill we
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No. 60

TO THE WORSHIPLL. GEO MORTON PITT ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

I am ordered by the Governour & Council to Acquaint You that having resolved this day to send you a supply of Cash amounting to Pagodas 10,000 the Peons will set out with it to Morrow Morning. That you may send Your Peons to receive it of the [. . .] usual Distance I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 26°. AUGUST 1726.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your Most Obliged Humble Servt.
DAVID PYOT
Secry.

No. 61

TO MESSRS: LEWIS GREY SUPRA CARGO OF THE
DEAN FRIGATE JAMES NEVILL & JOHN DURLY
SUPRACARGOES OF THE MARGARET ANNE & JOSIAH
HOLMES SUPRACARGO OF THE MARY BRIGANTINE.

GENTLEMEN

I am Order'd by the Governour & Council to acquaint You, that according to a Regulation made by the Honble. Company to that Effect, & by an express Order from them, You are required to pay into their Cash here 2 ℔ Cent upon all Goods Trades for in the Port of Bussorah upon said ships & Brigantine in the Year 1725 & 6 and

That in order to ascertain the [. , . .] Consulage, You do attend the Consultation on M [. . . . .] with Your several Accounts Sales for [. . . .].

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 26 AUGUST 1726.

GENTLEM[EN]

Your Very [Humble Servant]
[DAVID PYOT]
Secry.

No. 62

To the Worship^ll^. Geo Morton Pitt Esq^r^.
Deputy Govern^r^. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. David.

Worship^ll^. Sir & Sirs.

We have now to answer two of Your Letters the 13^th^. & 15^th^. Ins^t^. That of the 13^th^. inclosed [. . .] Account [of Cash for the last . . .] and we have orderd you a supply of Ten thousand [Pagodas Which was sent . . . .] off this Morning under the Charge of Peon [. . . .] it Yesterday, that you might send Your [. . . .] Distance. We shall in a little time send you [. . .] Judged Pagod^s^. 10,000 sufficient to venture at a time [. . .]

We observe the repeated assurances [. . .] that you will exert Your selves all you can [. . .] inlarge this Year [. . .] and give all attention that the several [. . .] of Your Cloth [. . .] full as good as Muster, & we make [. . .] will execute your promises & retrieve the Reputation [. . . .] as we are endeavouring here to retrieve that of Ours.

We likewise observe the endeavours You have Used & are continuing to have the Cambricks sent you imitated in a Fabrick of this Country Cloth, We need not acquaint you how important a Service 't would prove to the Hon^ble^: Company if we could, by any Manufacture of this Country, bring Cambricks into disuse in England, or at least [send] them a Clothe that would reduce the Extravagant Demands for it in Br[itain] Besides the particular Benefit & Reputation it would add to the Company's Trade, it would prove universal advantage, For which reason we are using all our Endeavours here & we depend upon Yours in these Parts. We shall expect with Impatience the piece of Clothe Your Weavers are about making by the Cambrick Muster.

We have received the 56 Bales of Callicoes consigned Us upon sloop Rama & shall expect him quickly back again. The Master ought to take more care in securing the Bales from the [. . .] Some of these last received were damaged by the Rains [. . .] which [. . .] to be reprimanded.

We received at the same time the Ten Pieces of Succatoon sent us by that conveyance, Which we have found much inferior in Goodness, the best of them, to the Piece formerly sent us by the Deputy Governour at Pago^ds^. 7. There is no proportion between the Difference of the prices and the Fineness and we have all judged the Piece of Pag^d^. [yarn] good deal worse than said Piece sent us at 7 as you will likewise by comparing them. We return you the Piece of Pag^s^, 9 & half the other Piece for a Muster to procure a Quantity by, You may provide as farr as One hund^d^: pieces by Musters until we see the Piece of Clothe You have a making [. . .] by Muster the half Piece returned You, The low priced Piece [will not] answer the Companys Expectation. The Thread is slack & woolly [. . .] no ways of the Cam brick Thread kind. We are &

Worship^ll^: Sir & Sirs

Your Affect^te^: Friends & Servants

Fort S^t^. George
the 27 August 1726.

James Macrae.
Nath^ll^. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Rand^ll^. Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 63

To the Honble: Henry Frankland Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort William &ca. Council.

Honble: Sir & Sirs

This encloses Second Bill of Lading for the Treasure & Stores we Consigned Your Honr. &cas. upon the Derby.

Our Investment advances so slowly everywhere, that we have but too just reason to apprehend that we shall come short of even the 3000 Bales we had expected, and cannot now, at the rate our Merchants bring in Clothe, promises ourselves passing 2500 or a few more, Which advice we have Judged necessary to give by thus last occasion of shipping, that Your Honr. &cr. may know what Tonnage the returned shipping may depend upon from us.

We must at the same time repeat our Request yt. You will dispatch one at least of said ships as early as the season will ꝑmit with Orders to call on his way at Vizagapatam, to bring us up what Bales shall be then ready, because by late Letters received from thence, we find they make but a very slow progress in Washing their Clothe, so that we shall have the most of it to Cure here & unless we receive it early shall not have time enough to prepare it for this Years Shipping.

By Letter of the 5º. Ultº. from [. . .] advice that the French Ship from Europe supplys [. . .] That their Garrison was in want of many things [. . .] by Boyanore, Who continued his Hostilities [towards] them [. . .] Intermission, That their [. . .] being encour[aged] with assurances of a large without any Supply of Men & Money from [. .] first shipping, seeing themselves disappointed of the [. . .] would now in all probability be disheartened [. . .] the consequence of which would be the Loss of [. . .]
We shall want [. . .] this Year Fifty Jarrs of Lamp Oyle, Whi[ch . . .] the first Conveyance, We wish Your Honou[r Success in] this Years Investment & are

Fort St. George
the 5º. September 1726.

Honble. Sir & Sirs
Your Most Humble Servants
James Macrae.
Nathll. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 64

To Capt. James Berriman

Sirs

The Honble. Company's Brigantine George being very much out of Repair & as we are of opinion, that, under Your Direction who are well acquainted in the Place and have a good understanding in shipping, the Work may be performed to greater advantage & with more Frugallity than if it was intirely under the Directions of the Master who is a stranger in those Parts, We do hereby Consigne said Brigantine [to] You and the Treasure put aboard her for the Charge of her Repairs amounts to two thousand five hundred Ounces Mexico Dollars, according to Invoice and Bill of Lading here inclosed. For the Reasons above assigned we need [not] be perticular in givenYou directions about repairing her, and [...] only tell you, that she must be new

sheathed, & when stript of the [old] Sheathing, You cause her bottom to be carefully searched, because [we] apprehended it may be Iron sick Which if it be You must order [. . .] spikes to be drove and secure it in the best manner [. . .] works likewise must be well looked after & well repaired [. . .] Materials, and if any of her Masts or Yards should prove [. . .] New ones. We shall only add that we intend [the ship to] be thoroughly Repaired and refitted every way & that when [we] recommend frugality we do not mean that anything necessary should [. . .] And that You take care that all the Materials be of the best sorts & good & [that] the Work be well performed. What stores we Judged might be wanted there, or purchased here at lower Rates, we have sent along as you will observe by the Inventory of Stores aboard, Which we desire you may call for immediately upon her Arrival and see them produced By Estimate made here by knowing [. . .] en of the Charge of the Brigantine Repairs we are well assured it must [be] considerably under the Value of the Silver we send you, but We have [raised] the Quantity on purpose that she may not be returned empty and having occasion for Timbers & Plank for the Companys Buildings, we desire you to fill her up with Plank & Timbers of as large dimension as she can take.

As you have lately received the Character of Resident there for the Hon^ble^. Company as a mark of our confidence & which we understand will be of advantage to your own private affairs, we now give you an opportunity of confirming us in our good oppinion & merriting the Continuation of your Character, by doing every thing in your power for The Companys Interest in this affair.

We shall expect the George to be return'd us in January, by Dispatch you will save unprofitable Wages to the Vessells' Company & we shall want her by that time.

You must send us a particular Account of the [works done] and of the Charge & an Inventory of all the Stores at her coming away. [Her master] John Tye, has our Orders to observe what Directions & Instructions [you give] him in relation to what we now Write You. We are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE

THE 6 OF SEPTEMBER 1726.

SIR

Your Affect^te^. Freinds & Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL^. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 65.

TO CAP^T^. JOHN TYE COMMANDER
OF THE GEORGE BRIGANTINE.

SIR

The Brigantine George [. . .] Sea & all proper stores aboard. You are hereby [ordered to repair on board] Your self and the Wind & weather being [northerly to make the best of] Your way to the Port of Serian. Where being [. . . Cap^t^.] James Berriman the Letter herewith deliver'd You [. . .] You are to observe such Orders & Directions he [imposes from] time to time for your further Proceedings untill You return [and partic]ularly we recommend to you that You take all possible [care to see the] works well ℘formed in Repairing the Brigantine & making all the Dispatch You can in returning with her to us. We order further that in case of Cap^t^. Berrimans Decease before you arrive there, you do, upon Your Arrival, open our Letter of Instructions to him, or if he shou'd

dye while You are there dema[nd it that a] ll things Act for us as we have Orderd him. We wish [you a safe voyage and] Date this in Fort S^t^. George the 6. Day of September 1726.

JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL^. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 66

TO THE HON^BLE^. HENRY FRANKLAND ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT & GOV^R^. OF FORT WILLIAM &C^A^.
COUNCIL

HON^BLE^. SIR & SIRS

The preceeding is Duplicate of what we writ Y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^a^. ℘ the Prince George We have nothing material to advise only [that] This ship Barrington Dispatched last from Bombay arrived here the 8^th^. Inst^t^. and having filld Water proceeded this Evening for Your Port.

Having received no General Letter from them by the Barrington nor the Arcot, nor lately by land Conveyance, We [have] no Account to communicate of the situation of the Hon^ble^. Company's there.

The Harrison from Bossorah [arrived here] Yesterday but brings no other News than what Mess^rs^. Gray &c^a^. will in [form you]

We are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
[THE 12 SEP^R^.] 1726.

HON^BLE^. SIR & SIRS

Your Very Humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL^. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 67

[TO ROB^T^. SY]MMONDS ESQ^R^. CHIEF &C^A^.
COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

Your Letter of the 25^th^. was deliver'd here the 18°. We observe You have received the Treasure & Dubbs sent you upon the [Ess] ex & believe as you do, that You will find the 12 Dubbs wanting in [the chests] you have opened, to be made up in the remaining Chests.

It was upon being informed that all Your Vessells were otherwise Employ'd & could not bring up Bales that we were under Concern to have them brought us in time to be Cur'd for the shipping [. . .] upon that Disappointment had requested the Presidency of Fort William [to send] the ships to be return'd us from thence early, with Orders to call [. . .]

It was for the same reason that we since Order'd in our Letter to you by the Marlbrô (Duplicate of which you have here above) that You should send us upon her all the Bales you then should have ready and with all the Dispatch possible, that they might be Washed before the Rainy Season comes on. That ship is not yet returned us.

As you will have ready betwixt her Dispatch & the season proper for the Navigation upon this Coast, a sufficient Quantity of Bales to load one of your own vessells, you are desired to send us one of them with said Bales as early as you shall judge it safe to Venture, which we reckon may be by the first of December.

Mr: Blunt had ask'd our leave to load upon Ship Speedwell 160 Bales Which he promis'd to have ready by the 20 Ulto: & we sent him leave by Letter the 6, and are in daily expectation of her Arrival.

We are pleased to hear you can have 200 Bales ready Washed to be sent us by Christmas, as you have Judged a New Washing & Beating Godown necessary, we hope You will have taken Care not to exceed in Expences upon it and will Endeavour to make it advantageous to the Company by improving in Curing Clothe all You can.

We likewise observe that Your co[. . .] Number of Bales You can provide for this shipping comes [. . .] and wish You may exceed that Number if Possible If we sh[ould be] streighten'd in Cash before we can find another opertunity of supplying [money for] Compleating Your Investments, It is owing to your selves, for w[e sent] You a Calculation of what Number of Bales you could expect [. . .] Money would be necessary to send You. But [. . .] subject untill we directed it in our Letter by the [. . .] an answer. Not knowing then what you might [. . .] You might want such a Sume we sent you by [. . .] and by the next proper conveyance shall send You [. . .] we recommend it to You to advise us in future [. . .] our affairs much early, that we may act accordingly, We could [. . .] upon the Essex a Larger supply & we may be long now with out [so] safe an Opportunity.

We have received the Copy Your Account Consultations &cs. sent by these Peons & have not to add by them but that we are

Gentlemen

Fort St. George
the 21st: September 1726.

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

James Macrae.
[Nathll: Turner].
[John Emmerson].
[Randll: Fowke].
[James Hubbard].
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No 68

To Mr: John Blunt

Sir

The preceeding is Duplicate of our last to You. We are impatient for the arrival of Your Ship Speedwell with Bales for us, You promised in Your last to have her at Sea by the first Instt: which gives Us the more uneasiness. They Write us from Vizagapatam that you had their leave to send her, and we sent you ours as above, We are the more impatient for her Arrival that we may return her to you before the winds shift, That you may have her ready to send us again with another Lading [as soon] as the season will permit, we desire to know by first occasion wh[at number] of Bales you can procure in all for this shipping, and what con[veyance] you have to propose for sending them up that precaution may be [taken] in time against a Disappointment. We are

Fort St: George
the 21st. September 1726.

Sir

Your Friends and Servants
James Macrae.
[&ca. Council]

No. 69

TO THE WORSHIP^LL: GEO: MORTON PITT ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T: DAVID &C^A. COUNCIL.

WORSHIP^LL: SIR & SIRS

We observe by your Letter of the 24 Ult^o. that Pag^s. 10,000 sent you from hence overland by Peons the 18^o had been [received] and that the 20 Europe Soldiers we have sent you for a Recruit [to] your Garrison had reach'd you at last after a tedious Passage That by y^e. Addition to Your Garrison the Number exceed the Establishment allowd by Our Hon^ble: Masters, You will put the Superannuated or Infirmed men upon the List of Pensioners & allow them the Pay order'd for such.

The President has received the Muster of cloth made at Bonagrepatnam in Imitation of Cambrick, which has been examined in Consultation. The Fabrick is fine but too thick & woolly and will not answer instead of Cambrick. It ought to be sheere & the Thread harder Spunn to come up to the Cambrick Muster. As you have another Piece in hand, which the Deputy Gov^r: informs the President [and] hopes will answer better, we shall delay giving our Directions till we see that Muster likewise.

In distributing the Company's Covenanted Servants we have appointed the following to attend the Service at your Settlement, John Packer Factor: Wood Smart, Will^m. Johnson, Peter [Vezion], Richard Dockwra, & John Whitelocke Writers, who have Orde[red . . .] as soon as they can. Wood Smart was stationed here & [is sent] at his own Request.

The Season being now far spent we shall expect to see the Rama sloop here very soon with another Lading of [Bales]. We are

WORSHIP^LL: SIR & SIRS

FORT S^T: GEORGE
THE 1^ST. OCTOBER 1726.

Your Affectionate Friends & Serv^ts:

JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 70

TO MESS^RS: JOHN PACKER, WOOD SMART,
WILL^M: JOHNSON, PETER VEZION, RICHARD
DOCKWRA & JOHN WHITELOCKE.

GENTLEMEN

I am ordered by the [Governour &c^a. councill] to acquaint You that you are appointed [to the Hon'ble comp]any's Service at Fort S^t. David, for which [. . .] to set out forth with being there to [. . .] Orders as the Deputy Governour & Council [. . .] you from time to time. I am

FORT S^T: GEORGE

THE 1^ST. OCTOBER 1726.

GENTLEMEN

Your Humb^le[: Servant]
[DAVID PYOT]
Sec^y.

No. 71

To ROBT: SYMMONDS ESQR: CHIEF
&CA. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM

GENTLEMEN

The preceeding [is duplicate of our lâst] to you under date the 21st. Ultimo sent [. . .] since which we have received Y[our . . .] mery of the Marlbrô (who Impo[. . .] Bill of Lading for 290 Bales of Callicoes consigned to us for Our Companys Account Which have been deliverd here, Being all Brown we cannot advise You by this occasion our Judgment of them. But as we shall send You and Mr. Blunt Duplicates of what we now write, overland in a few days and as part of each sortment of the said Bales will be washed by that time we shall then acquaint you what Judgment we shall have made of them.

You did well to advise us what Vessell it is that was put ashoar to the So.ward of You lately, for having recd. before only an imperfect account that an English ship was lost there, without being told her Name or the Commanders, we had been impatient for some days to know Particulars. The Owners are much obliged to You for recovering the Sume of Rupees You have from the Rajah. We recommend it to You to use Your Endeavours for Recovering & Securing all you can of the Wreck and Cargo. That Brigantine was freighted from Gombroon for Bengall by Capt: Dixon of Calcutta, To whom it will be proper you give the earliest Intiligence You can of this Misfortune as we shall to [. . .].

[We] observe Your having paid Pagodas 4. 32, — for dieting Your Soldiers upon their Passage. That You will make the Beaters repay the Money advan[c'd on] account their Wages, and that You are resolved to take Care th[at what] You cure shall not be over Conjeed. We would have you co[mmunicate] to Mr. Blunt what we writ You on that Subject, for which reason, the Clothe lately received from him being too much [conjeed we m]ust likewise observe to you that thô he promised You to have [bales ready] to be sent upon the Speedwell by the 20 August & writ [. . .] that he had then 100 & expected 60 more against that, [The speadwell] Arrived us a few days ago with but only 118. We are sorry [for the] Disappointment & hope he will compleat at least the Number [he pro]mised us which we shall depend upon.

It gives us great deal of Concern that Money should be wanted with You, & at Ingerum (where Mr. B[lunt says] he can invest Pagods: 6 or 8,000 more than he has betwixt & Chr[istmas] and we have no safe conveyance to send it upon. But had he acquainted us in time, as we writ you in our last we had supply'd both to the full by the Essex, We expect you will avoid such a negligence in future.

We have however ventured to send to In[geram] upon this ship Speedwell as ℘ Invoice & Bill of Lading wch. Mr. [Blunt will] forward to You Pagodas 10,000 Ten Chests of Copper Dubbs & [...] the which You write to pressingly for in Your last, Mr. Blunt [will send] you immediate advice of her Arrival & wait Your Orders for [the] Treasure & Wares. We could not venture a larger sume by [. . .] at this time of the Year. Emboss'd Clothe we have now [. . .] But shall send You upon the first conveyance to ye. Port the Iron, Looking Glass, Rosewater & Stationary Ware You [want] Which we Judged improper for so long a land Carriage as from Ingeram to Your Settlement.

Your Bills of Exchange shall be Orderd to be paid next Consultation.

The Freight of the Bales received upon the Marlbrô shall be paid here to the Owners.

Thô we directed in our last Letter that You might send us immediately upon the turn of the season, upon a proper conveyance what Brown Bales You should then have ready [that we may] have time to wash them before those you should send afterwards upon the Europe Ships could reach, yet considering that after the Europe ships are come away you may have more Bales ready which by a quick Conveyance may come time enough to be cured for the February ship. We are of opinion you ought to reserve the Jenny Galley as being a good [Ship] for that Service. Which

we believe will be of more Importance than sending her up early. Especially as we have request the Presidency of Fort William to dispatch us one ship the soonest they can, with Ord[ers to] call at Your Port for Bales. In all Events we recommend it [You that You may take such measures that we . . .]

We desire to see [You are . . .] the Service will not require You continuing at Vi[zagapatam] the Interval of the Investment. You may take your [. . .] one of the Europe ships or upon your own Galley if you [. . .] to bring us upon her after said ships are Passed You. We are

GENTLEMEN

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 3D. OCTOBER 1726.

Your Affecte. Friends & Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON
RANDLL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 72

TO ROBT. ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF
&CA. FACTORS OF TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We have to acknowledge [. . .] and 13° August with advice of the Progress [. . .] that Monsr: le Noir the new Governour of [Pondicherry] before that Place with 3 ships. Two of these [. . .] from France, the other was an Interloper [. . .] made prize of at Mascarine, They ha[. . .] this Year from Europe and hav[. . .] and propose to dispatch two mo[. . .] from Bengal, Which they expect Daily, these [. . .] out are to call at Mayé but we cannot learn what Reinforcement or supplys they are to carry. We are

SIRS

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 3D. OCTOBER 1726.

Your Affecte. Friends & Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDLL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 73

TO ALEXR [ORME] ESQR. CHIEF &CA.
FACTORS OF ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

Having received Advice lately from [Vizagapatam that] a Brigantine has been put ashoar to the So. ward of them [which we] are Informed belonged to Mr. Orme, We shall give you an [accot. of that mis]fortune in the Words of their Letter, Which is the most perfect [we ever] received They say—' A Brigantine belonging to Mr. Orme at [Angengo] about the same time (the 25 August) ran ashoar at Penticott [about 25 length] to the So. Ward where the Capt. was drown'd & the People going ashoar [with w]hat Money was in the ship were seized & imprison'd by the [Raja wi]th whom we have already managed matters so well as to recover [the same] being Rupees

3987. As for the Gruff Cargoe consisting in Brimstone [and] Fruit we believe it intirely lost as well as the Vessell thô we shall [do all] that lyes in our power to recover the most we can. The People are [. .] arrived here so that we cannot examine into the manner how the [ship] came to be lost which will be very necessary since there is a flying [rumour] that the Capt. was cut off by them & that they were marching up in [to the] Country with what ready Cash was on board when the Rajah's People [seized] them & carryed them to Sallywarum Fort, But of this We shall be able [to give] You a better account by a Land Conveyance.

There were hard Gales of wind about that [. . .] Ship was obliged to Cut out of Bimlepatam Road, & a ship below [. . .] was in great Danger near Vizagapatam. The Brigantine [Margaret] sailed from this Port the 18 August When the Master was ill [. . .] & complain'd very much of his Mate for being a Drinking Obstinate [fellow].

We have Directed Mr. Symonds & Council [to use] all the Endeavours to make the most they can of the Wreck & Goods for [the] Owners Account, By what they have done already Mr. Orme may depend upon all the Service in their power to do him. We shall when we have a better account of all matters transmit it by first occasion and are

Gentlemen

Fort St. George
the 3d. October 1726.

Your Affecte. Friends & Servants
James Macrae.
Nathll: Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll: Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 74

To Mr. John Blunt

Sir

I am Ordered in Consultation to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letters of the 28 August & 7° & 8° Ult° including Invoice & Bill of Lading for 118 Bales of Callicoes consigned [. . .] of [the Honble. Company upon Your ship Speedwell [. . .] hands.

The said Bales have [. . .] Ordered to acquaint You That the Long Cloth [. . .] what You procur'd last Year, which was better [. . .] is worth 80. That Your Middling & Ordinary [. .] worse than last Year & much of it very ill cured [. . .] ment both in Quality & Curing, and that You take care that [. . .] be not over Conjeed as this last received which will be a great [. . .] it for the Europe Market, thô it may make it look better [. . .] That they were surprized to receive only 118 Bales by this Con[veyance] When you had promised both to them and to Vizagapatam [. . .] would have ready by the 20° of August 160 that you will acquaint [. . .] by your next the reason of this [. . .] disappointment which they [. . .] for, for several reasons, & that they expect better things from You.

Inclosed You will receive Invoice & Bill of Lading for Pagodas 10,000 Ten Chests of Copper Dubbs & Eleven Bales of Broad Clothe Consigned to Vizagapatam upon this ship Speedwell, You are Order'd to Dispatch an Express thither [. . .] upon said Ship to You, with said Invoice & Bill of Lading [. . .] for them and wait their Orders for [. . .].

The Dubbs you sent have been compar'd with what sent you, they agree in finness and very near in weight. The impression of Yours is Metchlepatam in Letters & of those now sent you Vizagapatam. If they should not pass with You,

You are Orderd to advise Vizagapatam of it & in that case to send them thither In a few days you will receive Duplicates over land of what now writ you & an account how Your Brown Bales when wash'd here & Compared with ours cur'd by the same hands do prove. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE SIR

THE 3D. OCTOBER 1726.

Your Very Humble Servant,
DAVID PYOT,
Secry.

No. 75

TO THE WORSHIPLL. GEO. MORTON [PITT] ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID &CA. COUNCIL.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

By the Rama who Imported here [we have] received Your Letter of the 2d. with 67 Bales of Callicoes consigned [for the ac]count of Our Honble. Masters & the four Old handscrews You [have sent we] likewise received inclosed Your Account of Cash for the last [month] with Your Warehousekeepers & Storekeepers Lists of Wares & Stores [at] Your Settlement, for Use & Sale.

We now return Your said Sloop with [the] Wares & Stores You wanted with a Chest of Stationary Ware to [complete] Your List received some time ago. Inclosed You will receive [the Bill of] Lading & Invoice of the whole amounting to Pags. 2939 2 5 [. . .] accompanying is a seperate Packet the Rest of the three Chests of [...] comprehended in said Invoice We wish the sloop safe to You & are.

FORT ST. GEORGE WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

THE 9O. OCTOBER 1726.

Your Affecte. Friends & Servts.
JAMES MACRAE.
NATHLL: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDLL: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 76

[To]
[MR. JOHN] GRAHAM.

SIR

I send You inclosed 2 Bills of Lading for Wares and Stores consigned to the Deputy Governour & Council For the Honble: Companys Account upon this Sloop Rama. They will receive [the Bill] of Lading & Invoice of the whole by Toppies You [will] find by [the said] Invoice that I have now comply'd as far as I can [wi]th Your D[emand]for Stationary Ware, What now sent with what sent you for are Valued that you may Credit the Presidency for both as You [. . .] I am

FORT ST. GEORGE SIR

THE 9O. OCTOBER 1726.

Your Very Humble Ser[vant]
DAVID PYOT.

No. 77

To the Hon^ble^. Henry Frankland Esq^r^.
President & Governour of Fort William &c^a^. Council

Hon^ble^. Sir & Sirs

By the Brigantine [Fortune arrived] here the 4^th^. inst^t^. we received Your Letter of the [29^th^ August] by Duplicate of a Preceeding, which is [. . .] we reckon sent by the French ship, [expected daily at] Pondicherry, We have likewise received Duplicates [of your] Letter of the above mentioned date by Sloop Elizabeth [. . .] arrived next day, But thô your Duplicate rec^d^. as above [says that] You had Inclosed the Account Curr^t^. of your Presidency with this; for last Year, with answer to the List of Errors in the Europe Invoices & Invoice of Stores sent upon the Enfield, we found neither of said Papers inclosed. In answer to the Duplicate Your Honour &c^a^ .will find in our Letter by the Darby, that thô we did not then [ ] the Quantity of Salt Petre we had in Warehouse, yet we advise[d] that we should want nothing from Your Presidency this Year [but fifty] Jarrs of Oyle which we hope will be sufficient to determine [&] to alter Your Resolution for sending us a Quantity, as you [can as] of Salt Petre upon the Returning Ships: [If] had we been in want or had but a small Quantity of that or any other Stores or Wares on [. . .] we should not have faild to advice [Your Hon^r^. &c.] of it as we have done of the Oyle we wanted. Should [. . .] as you propose, we would be obliged to return [. . .] ships, For we have now in Warehouse 5000 Bags and upwards, which will be sufficient for all Demands here for several Years, Especially as we have no prospect of Dispatching an October Europe Ship next year, nor can we expect the outward bound Europe ships should be prohibited bringing out Iron Kintlage next Year as they were this, and even thô they should and should we be able next year to Dispatch an Early ship, we shall be able to supply them. Admit even that the next Years Europe ships should come out without Iron Kintlage & we not have Petre enough to Kintlage them with, We can see no reason why Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. should send us Petre to Kintlage y^m^. with here, because by so doing you would expose that part of the Hon^ble^. Company's Estate to a Double unnecessary Risque, first from Your Port to this and than back again to You, Besides puting them to ad[ditional] unnecessary Charge in Landing said Petre here in reshipping back to you. The argument that unless we have sufficient on [hand] to Kintlage Europe Ships here they may be obliged to take on [. . .] hand after having delivered their heavy Goods, in order to [. . .] they can proceed to You, would not in our Opinion [. . .] & Charge we have mentioned: Because should so [. .] Suffering they must take in Land at their own Charge, do without any Loss of time But Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. add th[at the] Masters have Ordered in their this Years General Letter [. . .] send us up a sufficient Quantity of Salt Petre To which [. . .] that we have already more than sufficient on hand & [send us] a supply when wanted.

It is very agreeable to us to be in[formed by your] Hon^r^. &c^a^. that notwithstanding the Scarcity & high Prices [of cotton] yet You have good hopes of being able to provide for the [ships on h]and, with the Assistance of 3000 Bales from us We are [not sure of] that Number, but cannot depend upon above 2500 or [. . .] as formerly advised to you.

We have according to promise sen[t your] Hon^r^. &c^a^. all the Treasure we could this year, & with all the Expedition] possible amounting to in Rupees Ninety Chests, each chest [containing] 8000, Ic Rupees 744,000 and in Bullion 47 Chests exclusive upon the Craggs Orderd for Bombay. So that we have not only [provided] You with the 100 Chests of Treasure we promised Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. but likewise with what addition You now demand Which would have answered the exceeding of Tonnage consigned You we could spare you more, there is now no proper Conveyance [to] venture Treasure upon at this Season of the Year, But you may [depe]nd upon the utmost Expedition in supplying You as far as [we can] by next arrived Europe ships.

We were very glad to hear by this occasion [that all Europe] ships were Arrived safe with You, but the Barrington who could not have reached so soon.

By the assistance of some Beaters sent to Vizagapatam Mr. Symmonds has hopes of Washing Cloth to as great parfect[ion] there as we do here.

We are pleased to hear that the Soldiers sent You upon the Sarum, for your Presidency but put ashoar here [was] not wanted with you as they were with us, We have not here the said opportunity of Recruiting as You have.

Your Honr. &ca. will have been informed by the time from Capt. Hunter all particulars relating to [. . .] that was judg[ed] to be a Pyrate between Madagascar & the Main [. . .] the Hartford the same ship yt. the French have made a Prize of as an Interloper.

W should be very glad to hear of Your Success in rendering the Projects of the Ostenders ineffectual. The service is of great Importance and would be regarded as such.

We are obliged to Your Honr. &ca. for the Assurance You give Us of dispatching one ship as early as You [can] with Orders to call at Vizagapatam & bring us up their [clothes] in time to be Cured [here].

There is at present nothing of Capt. Alan[a . . .] to be found here. Messrs. Llyod & Braddyl[m]ay be assur'd that we will be very ready to give our assistance to their Attorney in any affair of theirs upon Application made to us.

Two ships were dispatch'd the 30o. Ulto. from Pondicherry for Europe upon one of which the late Governour Monsr. [. . .] Bearevollier took his Passage a Third waited till ye. 7th. inst. for [an . . .] from the Ganges, W[h]o not being then arrived the other was dispat[ched with] Your Letter for the Honble. Court of Directors being [forwarded] to Mr. Pitt it reached just time to enough to [. . .]

We are

Fort St. George — Honble. Sir & Sirs

the 15 October 1726.

Your most Humble Servants

James Macrae.
Nathll. Turner.
John Emmerson.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 78

To the Worshipll. Geoe. Torriano Esqr.
Supravisor &ca. Council of Fort Marlbrô.

Worshipll. Sir & Sirs

By the George Brigantine [. . .] to us the 13o. of August we received a General Letter [from the] then Deputy Governour & Council under date the 21st. June [to] which we now write in Answer under the usual heads.

First. As to Shipping

We shall not now repeat the reasons we had to be dissatisfy'd with the then ill Conduct in detaining the Grantham so long unnecessarily & sending him to us at last empty but refer You to the reperusal of the Accompanying Duplicate of our Genl. Letter by the Grantham & of our Instructions to the Supravisor recommending it to you with perticular Earnestness that You Joyntly use all your Endeavours to prevent

upon all occasions [the] Charge of Demorage to the Hon^ble^. Company Which affects their Estate so very sensibly when ships are so long Detained as the Grantham has been.

The care taken to write to the Hon^ble^. Court of Directors Via Batavia by the Conveyance that then offer'd, the state of [. . .] that time & to accompany the Letter with abstract [of . . .] to be commended & we hope will be imitated.

The reason assigned for not returning George Brigantine to this Coast in the Month of April too early in the Season, could never pass with us & ought [to have] been offerd by Persons that know as well as we that the [ship] has been dispatchd for this Port much earlier, and every [one that] understand y^e^. Navigation between Madrass & Fort Marlb[rô knows] that the Month of April is a fit season for shipping to [. . .] from thence hither, The other pretence of bringing up Pepper N°.ward deserves equal Censure, For the Authors of it know [that the] Companys ships are obliged to perform that service & that [. . .] field when on the Coast was so employ'd, What by unnecessary [. . .] as unnecessary Delays that Vessell returnd to us little than a Wreck and in want of every thing In so much that [we have] been obliged to send her to Pegue to be Repaird & refitted [. . .] her Charge upon the Coast will be a very considerable addition [to the] Expence of that Settlement. We have already express'd [. . .] Resentment against the Principall Authors of that and many Evills Which we now recommend as an usefull Caution to him.

We observe Your advising the Arrival & Departure of shipping from Your Port Which is according [. . .] and very proper to be known, We direct that you do continue [. . .] and with exactness & that you be very vigilent in preven[ting . . .] of the Order against Landing unlicenced Goods [. . .] may happen to call at Your Port occasionally such Case the Company will lose their Customs, such Goods [. . .] only to be landed in a Clandestine manner, For if offer'd to [an . . .] You cannot allow it, & if you thrô neglect or otherwise suffer them [. . .] Run, Thô the Purchasers may save the Duty yet you are unfaithfull to your Trusts We recommend that Branch of the Revenue to be improved and hope it will as much in future as it seems to have been neglected lately.

We expect to see Articles of Customs paid upon considerable Quantitys of Salt &c^a^. imported & now [ ] have mention'd Salt we shall likewise expect to find that what may be laded upon the Company's Vessells for Mocho Mocho &c^a^. when it shall be found necessary for the Service to send any of them to y^e^. N°.ward shall have paid them Freight.

This goes by the ship Marlbrô Cap^t^. William Montgomery, if M^r^. Tempest should not have found a Passage [to] You from Batavia, You must dispatch the Marlbrô immediately upon her Arrival to bring him. By the time she can [. . .] which you must so Order Cap. Montgomery to do with all the Expedition he can, we Judge M^r^. Torriano will have finished Business we sent him upon & direct that he may take his Passage upon her back to us without the loss of time, We have purchased [that] ship for the Companys Account principally to attend the Service of the West Coast & recommend it to you to manage her Expence while with you with all the frugality you can.

We have nothing to add in [. . .] Dispatching the Carnarvan to what we directed in [. . .] to the Supravisor Exert Your selves all you possibly can [. . .] him Directly to England Which as it would be very much [. . .] rest of Our Hon^ble^. Masters by serving them [. . .] would be very acceptable to us & recommend Your Service.

Secondly. As to Goods from Europe, Fort S^r^. George.

You will have found Your Lists by the Grantham comply'd with as far as we then could & the Ninety three Fire Arms Demanded instead of the like Number worn received by said ship are now sent You by this together with 4 Drumms, Drum heads 8 D°. slings 2 Braces 4 Hinges Ninety, Brass Ware 6 and Iron Stone 44½ Tons in number 1232 as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed Which will be very usefull w^th^. You.

What Goods have been licenced to [be sent] to Your Port upon this ship you will find comprehended in the Accompanying Manifest.

THIRDLY: CONCERNING INVESTMENTS.

FOURTHLY: CONCERNING TRANSACTION WITH THE CO[UNTRY GOVT.]

You tell us You had then a Warehouse there and at Sillebar 716 Bahar of Pepper Which we must believe upon your telling us so in Your Letter. It cannot be confirm'd to us from Your Pepper Godown Keepers Account because you have lately introduced a Method of keeping these Accompts in hund^ds^. only. Whereas formerly the Number of Bahars was always exprest in the Mocho Mocho Accounts' till December last. We can assigne no good reason for this New method & do direct that the Number of Bahars paid for may be exprest as formerly, We know y^e^. Company pays for it in Bahars which ought to be Net W^t^. to them, because the Mallays always allow sufficient upon each Draught to make the Bahar weight Effectual. We de[sire] a calculation first Opportunity of a exact weight of a Mocho Mocho Bahar & a Fort Marlbrô D^o^. and what quantity of Pepper goes to make a Ton in shipping it.

We should be very glad to hear [about the dispa]tch of the Grantham, You had found Pepper [for] the Carnarvan, his Tonnage likewise within the time This would give us Encouragement to Depend upon [. . .] the West Coast & Retrieve the Reputation it has by [. . .] forfeited. We must say Ill management for by Accounts [. . .] lately in Trust the Quantity of Pepper produced ought to be very considerably increas'd. Which we expect will [. . .] to us by your giving the next Europe ship an early Dispatch having on hand a good Quantity more, So as to encourage [. . .] You two Ships Yearly.

We observe your Reasons why see [. . .] not hither to make a larger Quantity of Sugar and Arrack [We] are afraid upon Enquiry which we Direct the Supravisors [. . .] to make will not be found the same they are represented [. . .] all the Money advanced him been in Dollars he must [. . .] more forward by this time or very remiss in his Business [. . .] Cloth will never bring Necessary People & Utensils from [. . .] The Spanish Dollars would very readily there's no roome doubt.

We have tried all we could but can[not] prevail with any Potters to go from hence & the Earth the [Potts are] made of here is so mixed with Sand that they would never [be of] use for a Sugar work, You must procure a Workman from Java [. . .] own fine Clay with the assistance of Slaves under his Direction [. . .]ver the Purpose much better.

You must inform Yourselves from S^t^. Helena by first opportunity what Quantity of Your Sugar & Arrack [will] be wanted there and supply them accordingly. What Arrack and Sugar are necessary for Your Settlements you may dispose of for most they will bring, What Sugar you shall have remaining will find a Market here, Untill we have Directions from Our Hon^ble^. Masters we cannot say precisely what Quantity of Arrack You are to sell them, But you may send them a proper Quantity by every occasion out of what you shall have on hand & the rest [. . .] after you are supply'd Yourselves.

It is very agreeable to us to be inform'd that the Country continues in Peace, which You must Cultivate & entertain with all the Art & management You can, As the Copy of the Presidents Instructions when Supravisor of the West Coast is with You, Which are full of the best directions possible to be given for your conduct towards the Mallays of all Degrees & for Manageing [the] Company's Interest to the greatest advantage, we refer you [. . .] for what further may be said under this [we would] recommen[d] You to reperuse them frequently & faithfully to observe them.

FIFTHLY: TOUCHING BUILDINGS, FORTIFICATIONS & REVENUES.

M^r^. Carnagie having acquainted the President by a Private letter that the Companys Slaves are capable of making Bricks & Chinam we order that they may be so Employ'd & [there] after there shall be a proper Quantity of those Materials [...]

if it should be found absolutely necessary to rebu[ild those . . .] Godowns or other buildings you do rebuild them with [. . .] some of the slaves are pretty expert Bricklayers they [. . .] on that Work & others as Cooleys. We cannot neither prevail [with] any People here that understand Tarrasing to go over to You, You must therefore do the best you can with the hands You have [who] we hope with proper Directions may do well enough, let such buildings be very durable & strong enough to resist the small shock of Earthquakes with You. You must prepare the Wooden Materials in time & take care they be of the most durable sort & duely season'd and in all things to Study the Interest of Your Hon^ble: Employers by being frugal of their Money & building strong & only what's Necessary.

The Letter we now answer only [. . .] that having no other service for the slaves they were then [. . .] in levelling the Roads leading to the Fort. But we find in Consultation of date the 16°. March, That the Deputy Governour was about enlarging his Lodgings from the Fort to China Row &c^a. By the Acc^t: given in said Consultation [. . .] intended building we cannot tell what to Judge of it, [. . .] Work we apprehend is Could he propose or [you agree] to [his] build^g: anything Contiguous to the Fort or give him & [. . .] Right as there mentioned to any Ground joyning to it, It is there said he was to build upon the Cartain, We cannot tell what to make of it or how to understand it as there express'd But we forbid proceeding with it till the Ground is more particularly described to us, and our Leave obtained for carrying it on, We hope we shall not hear that the Companys Slaves instead of levelling Roads were employd in levelling the Ground for his building and carrying on the Edifice.

We can give no attention to such Petition as that mentioned of the Farmer of the Arrack & Opium Licence which You your Selves had rejected & then by way of after Tho[ught] recommend to us without one Reason offer'd for so doing, such [a] Recommendation deserves a higher Censure then we shall [wish to] put upon it.

If the Arrack & Opium Licences could [produce] no more than Three Hundred & thirty Dollars we [must be satisfied]. But as Your Numbers will quickly if [not very] considerably increased, we shall expect an Im[provement].

Sixthly: touching Covenant Servants, Officers, Soldiers & their Accounts.

We were heartily concern'd to [hear of] of such a Diminution of Your Number by Mortality [. . .] M^r. Fotheringham will have behaved well untill the [. . .] of servants arrives you, when you will be well pr[ovided with] a Resident for Mocho Mocho. We have appointed [M^r.] Lenox to that station wherein we hope he will give [satisfaction] Being a Man of Good Sence Knowledge & Experience in [Mercan]tile affairs & desire thô he is third of Council you may [send him] to his station as soon as conveniently you can. M^r. J[ulius] Gollop Fifth of Council we have appointed Your Pay[master] believing him to be a Man of Probity & Capacity for that [Employ] We send You likewise M^r. Jos^h. Goddard Factor a sober Young man of some Experience in Business. You will station him as you [may] Judge most usefull. We have advanced Mess^rs: Lenox & Gollop [Pag^s.] Thirty each & M^r. Goddard Pag^s. Twenty for the Charge of the Passage, for which You must give us Credit

We observe the Paragraph relating to M^r. Welshes Conduct towards the then Deputy Governour & M^r. Car[negie] and would have him know that in consideration of his Experie[nce] in affairs there which may render him usefull if he behaves well we [shall] not Pass upon him the Censure he deserves for his [unbecoming] & irregular Behaviour towards those Gentlemen [& that] it will be prudent in him to avoid giving the like occasion [for] complaint in time to come. For thô we permit the Dissenting to any thing that is evidently contrary to Orders & Rules yet we will not permit such irregular proceedings nor such an unbeco[ming] Behaviour as those Complain'd of in M^r. Welsh.

Upon this ship we send You Ten Europe Soldiers Which is all we could spare, they have received each three Months Pay advance ending Ultimo December, and Bradley's Wife who now goes to her husband has received three Pagodas on his account You will Pay Cap^t. Montgommery the Usual Diet Money for the Soldiers upon their Passage.

You may transmit us the Accompts of Daniel Eden Cavellry's Effects & we shall Pay the Amount here to those who shall make a legall Demand.

We come now to tell you that having good Experience of Mr. Carnegie's Integrity, Capacity & Application in the Honble: Company's Affairs we have Unanimously appoint (*sic*) him Deputy Governour of Fort Marlborough [we] send you Inclosed a Commission to that effect & appointing Messrs. Geo: Tempest Second Robt. Lenox third David Welsh fourth Julius Gollop fifth & John Savage sixth of Council. After this Instance of our confidence in Mr. Carnegie we shall expect from him due Returns of application in the Companys Affairs & a hearty and steady zeal to promote their Interest That we receive no longer triffling & evasive answers to our Letters and that we be n[ot kept] in the Dark as to the state of Affairs by receiving only im[perfect] or fictitious Accounts from thence. We require all of Co[uncil] to concur with him heartily in the Service particular[ly in] improving the Pepper Trade & enlarging it as much as [possible] Which & a frugal management of the Company's Money [must] be always their Principall Point of View.

The abovementioned Commission is not to take place till Mr. Torriano coming away in as far as it relates to Mr. Carnegies being appointed Deputy Governour until which time after the Arrival of the Gentlemen now sent of Council Mr. Tempest is likewise with You the Council will be full, so that Mr. Savage will only take his Place at the Board then. We hope he will continue to deserve & increase the good opinion [we have] of him, in his new station, which will entitle him to a further Promotion as occasion shall offer.

Mr. Torriano will have finish'd all matters recommended to him as our Supravisor by that time this ship can be dispatch'd back to Us, which we desire may be as soon as you can & then will take his [passage upon that ship].

Having received a very good Character of Lewis Perry who has served some time with You under the Paymaster & given good Proof of his Capacity & Application, we have entertain'd him a Writer in the Company's Service to take his standing from the Arrival of this ship with you.

SEVENTHLY: TOUCHING ACCOMPTS.

We received in last Packet the two Copies mention'd of Consultations Monthly Accounts & Letters Received & Sent One Copy of which we shall transmit to England in our first Packet with Your General Letter to the Court of Directors. You must continue to be exact in sending Your General Books, Consultations &ca. and always a Copy to us to be forwarded home.

We wish this ship safe with You & are

FORT ST: GEORGE — WORSHPLL: SIR & SIRS

THE 15TH. OCTOBER 1726. — Your Affect: Friends & Servts.
JAMES MACRAE
&ca. Councill.

No. 79

TO CAPT. WILLIAM MONTGOMMERY
COMMANDER OF SHIP MARLBOROUGH

SIR

You are Ordered by the Governour & Council to receive on board ship Marlbrô Messrs. [Lewis Perry] Julius Gollop & Josh. Goddard Passengers to Fort M[arlborough] with their Servants & Effects.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 15 OCTOBER 1726 — ℘ Order DAVID PYOT.

No. 80

To Capt. William Montgommery
Commander of Ship Marlborough

Sir

Having lading upon ship Ma[rlborough] Stores necessary for the Companys Acct. at Fort Marl[borough the] ship being now ready for the Sea You are to repair [on board her] forthwith & Wind & Weather permitting set sale & make [the best] of your way for the said Port of Fort Marlbrô Where to put Your Passengers ashoar & to deliver to the Orders [of the Governor] & Council there what Stores you carry for the Companys Account, You being Consigned to them. We [wish you] a safe Voyage & Date this in Fort St. George this 15 °. Oc[tober 1726].

James Macrae.
Nathll. [Turner].
John E[mmerson].
Randll. [Fowke].
James [Hubbard].
Joseph [Houghton].
David [Pyot].

No. 81

A Manifest of Goods laden on board the Ship Marlbrô Capt. William Montgommery Commander by the undermencond Persons for Bencoolen & Licenced to be sent thither by the Honble. Governour & Council.

By Mr. John Lauder for Account of Mr. David Carnegie.
Goods for Sale.

	c.	p.				
4 Bales Blue Long Cloth conts. ..	8	6	Value—Pagods.	273	32	32
2 Bales Blue Sallempores	7	—		98	—	—
Metchlepatam Cambays	4	—	Doub Co. @ 5 p.	85	—	—
Wheat 3 Garse	..	..	..	120	—	—
Ophium 3 Chests	..	..	..	300	—	—
			Pagodas	876	2	—

By Julius Gollop for his own Account.
Goods for Sale.

		C				
4 Bales of Long cloth blue	qt.	8 @	p 33	264	—	—
1 do. Sallampores blue		6 @	14	87	—	—
1 do. Hankerchief Matchm.		8 @	13½	108	—	—
1 do. Moorees		8 @	20	160	—	—
1 do. Cambays		15 @	10	150	—	—
1 do. Allejars		4 @	18	72	—	—
Bettellees		1	—	17	—	—
Gingham		12 @	2¾	28	18	—
Lungees		2¼ @	5	25	18	—
10 Ba. Long Cloth White		15 @	28	420	—	—
			Pagodas	1332	[—	—]

Necessaries—
4 Chests of Apparrel & Necessaries.
2 Chests of Drawers.
A Legar of Madera Wine Pack'd in 6 Goa Caskc.
6 Dozn. Red Wine.
Six or 7 Small Boxes of Necessaries.
A Dozen of Chairs 2 Tables & a Couch.

By Capt. William Montgommery for his Own Account & Officers
Goods for Sale.

	C	P			
6 Bales Long Cloth White			256	12	48
4 Half Ps. D°. blue	12	1 @ 16	192	28	60
2 D°. White Sallampores	8	2 @ 12¾	103	9	70
3 D°. Blue D°.	15	2 @ 15	226	18	—
1 D°. Metch. Cambs.	10	10	103	22	40
1 Pegue Course Shallow	3	— @ 4	12	—	—
1 D°. Fine	10	— @ 5	50	—	—
A Small Bundle conts. 2 ps. Dimity 4 Ps. of Hankerchiefs 3 Ps. Muslin 10 Ps. Moorees Fine 2 Pallampores & 11 Ps. Succatoons			58	30	8
[A small] Bundle containg 16 Ps. Gingham—2 Ps. Pulicat Hankerchiefs 2 small Pallampores			27	34	—
1 Small Bunde. qt. 1 Ps. Bettelles			6	—	—
2 Ps. Dimity			12	18	—
2 Patch Chints			13	—	—
					5 [...]
			Pagodas	1062 [...]	

By Mr. Robt. Lenox for his own Acct.

5 Bales Long Cloth blue	330	—	[...]
2 — Sallampores blue	168	—	[...]
7 — Cambays	684	—	[..]
1 Garse Wheat	40	—	[...]
Necessaries 1 Escrutore 3 Chests 1 Table 6 Chairs & two Chests Wine	Pags. 1222		

By Mr. Josh. Goddard Necessaries.
An Escrutore a Chest of Draws & a Box.

No. 82

To Capt. William Montgommery
Commander of Ship Marlborough

Sir

You are Order'd by the Honble. the Governour and Council to Receive on board the Ship Marlbrô Ten Soldiers & the Wife of Zacheas Bradley Passengers to Fort Marlbrô, and this shall be Your Warrant for so doing, Dated in Fort St. George this 15 Day of October [1726].

David Pyot
Secry.

No. 83

[To Robt.] Adams Esqr. Chief &ca.
Council at Tellicherry

Sirs

The preceeding is Duplicate of our last to you by Capt. Hunter of the Arcot, We have since recd. Inteligence from Pondicherry that the Badine Dispatch'd from thence a few days ago has on board for May'e Fourty Europe Soldiers Fourty Topazes Ten Cannon fifty Barrells of Powder One Thousand Iron shot & Nine Small Casks of Treasure.

They give out that said ship is to proceed to Mascareen & bring Troops from thence for May'e which can only be an amusement being rather sent thither for a Guardship untill the Monsoon is over on this Coast, Tis said Mons le Noir had Orders to withdraw [from] that Factory, but finding a Fort built he delayd Executing said [orders] untill their Company should be acquainted [with] We are

FORT S^T. GEORGE — SIRS

THE 16°. OCTOBER 1726. — Your Affec^te. Friends & Servants

JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOS^H. HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 84

TO THE HON^BLE. HENRY FRANKLAND ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FOURT
WILLIAM &C^A. COUNCIL

HON^BLE. SIR & SIRS

We have not to add to the Preceeding [dupli]cate of what we Writ you by the Sloop Elizabeth but that Brigantine Endeavour, Victor Shee Master, who left Bombay the September, brought us the Inclosed Letter for Your Hon^r. &c^a. from [the] President & Council there, Which we take this Opportunity of for[warding] with said Duplicate & what other Letters offerd. Shee was obliged to [put] in here being in want of Water & Provisions & saild again the 26°. [ultimo] to try for his Passage. We are

FORT S^T. GEORGE — HON^BLE, SIR & SIRS

THE 2^D. NOVEMBER 1726. — Your most Humble Servants

JAMES [MACRAE].
NA[TH^LL. TURNER].
JO[HN EMMERSON].
R[AND^LL. FOWKE].
[JAMES HUBBARD].
[JOS^H. HOUGHTON]
[DAVID PYOT].

N°. 85

TO THE WORSHIP^LL. GEORGE MORTON PITT ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^T. DAVIDS
&C^A. COUNCIL

WORSHIP^LL. SIR & SIRS

We received Your Letter of the 19 [Ut°.] the Wares & Stores sent you upon the Sloop Rama had [. . .] to the Invoice, That you had received the Ballance of Tombe Chitty with the Hon^ble. Company & that You promise Your Endeavours likewise to recover the Ballance of Sadashaverow's paid you by [January] which we shall be very glad to hear you have been Success [ful].

We have seen and examind the Muster [. . .] sent the President by M^r. Pitt made in Imitation of the [Cambric] which come the Nearest to that Fabrick of any we have yet re [ceived thô] not fine enough, We should be glad to have a Parcell of Cloth [of that] Fabrick to send by this shipping for an Essay whether it [. . .] The Hon^ble. Company to Account to send them hereafter a Q[. . .].

We return'd you some time ago half a Piece at [...] Pagodas 9 for a Muster; which we Judg'd worth the Mon[ey You] can procure a Parcell of Clothe of the Fabrick last sent of the [ ] & Finness with that Muster of Succatoons, we will send it [...] for a Tryal, and direct that You will acquaint in as soon as possible what you can propose to do in it. If any Quantity should be procurable we will expect an Improvement in the Finness upon Succatoon Muster at that price.

The Season for dispatching the Europe Shipp drawing near, we desire to know what Number of Bales you w[ill be] able to send us for them.

Inclosed You will receive a Copy of our late Re[gulations] against the Importation of Broad Clothe of Forreign Manafacture [in] any of the Company's Settlements, which You will publish & see [the] Orders therein Observed. We are

Fort St: George — Worship^ll: Sir & Sirs

the 8° November 1726.

Your Affecti: Friends & Ser[vants]
James Macrae.
Nath^ll: Turner.
John Emmerson.
Rand^ll: Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 86

To Mr: John Blunt

Sir

We have received Your Letter of the 12 Ult°. & observe th[at you] promise us only 160 Bales more this Season, Which woud be [much short] of what we expect & therefore Recommend it to You to procure larger Quantity if Possible.

We depend upon your assurances that you [will] take care that Your next Cargo shall give more satisfaction both to the Quality of the Clothes, & the Curing them: We had but too much reason, given us to Complain that your Fine Clothe Especially [of] this Year is much inferiour to the same sortments [*one line lost*] was well Cur'd, but then there were some Bales so ill wash'd that we were obliged to have them wash'd over again.

Your Izarees & Sallampores Superfine Fine as you call them we think too dear & you ought to get an Abatement made upon them. We would have you procure all the Quantity You can of these sortments to send us in your next Cargoe & if you cannot get an abatement made upon them, endeavour to get them emproved in Finness, If you should be obliged to continue to pay the same price for them, You must take care that they be full as good as those we have already received. We are

Fort St: George — Sir

the 8th. November 1726.

Your Friends and Servants
James Macrae.
Nath^ll: Turner.
John Emmerson.
Rand^ll: Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Joseph Houghton.
David Pyot.

No. 87

To THE HON^BLE : WILLIAM PHIPPS ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT &C^A. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY

HON^BLE : SIR & SIRS

We have now to acknowledge the Duplicate of your Letter dated the 3^d of September which was deliver'd us [by] Victor Shee Master of the Brigantine [Endeavour] who tou[ched] here the 23^d. Ult^o. and proceeded for Bengall the 26^h. The original [of] Your said Letter has not as yet reach'd us.

We must own it was ommitted to de[sire] of M^r. Fleetwood when he was here his Accompt with the Deceasd Mr. Febos Upon inquiring of his Attorney, we f[ind he] has left no Instructions with him in relation to Mr: F[ebos's] Account. But he says that by what discourse he had [with Mr.] Fleetwood about it he understood that Febos's Estate [was] rather Indebt to him than he to it. However as M^r: Feboss will be here next month we shall be sure to demand [a true] state of his Accompts with M^r. Febos's & transmit to Your [Hon^rs.] a Duplicate of them forthwith.

We observe your Hon^r: &c^a: desire w[. . .] Orders to the Supracargoes or Commanders of any ships [to] send to Mocha this Year, to conform themselves to [. . . give to the] Commander of the Ship [. . .] demand a Debt due to the Hon^ble: Comp^y. with Your Hon^r. &c^a. Success in recovering that Debt no ship under our Directions for Mocha this year we [can] Order to any but we shall communicate that Paragraph [...]Letter to any ships from Bengall that may call here, [The Gentle]men here indeed are concern'd in Ships bound to th[at port &] are in pain least the ships Your Hon^r. &c^a. intend to [send will] be a prejudice to their Voyages But we hope such Orders [are] given to Your Commanders that all due Endeavours [will be] used for obtaining satisfaction to our Hon^ble: Masters [without] being a Prejudice to the Interest of their servants.

We wish Your Hon^r. &c^a. may succeed [in the] proposd Endeavours to procure the Trade to Mocha to [be carried] on a more advantageous footing on this occasion but we [doubt] of it. We were satisfied with our small part of it as it was, [and] wish it may not be more encumbard hereafter.

M^r. Shee deliver'd us likewise a small [packet] from your Hon^r: &c^a. for Bengal which we forwarded over he being in great doubt whether and at that season & with such a Vessel he should gain his Passage down. We have nothing [more of] any moment to communicate from these Parts by this Pata[mar] with any Certainty. The advice we have of Chickliscawns de[parture] & motions are so various & Contradictory that they are not to be depended upon. Lately we were told he was upon a full [motion] towards these Country's and since that there is a great F[orce] Order'd to March against him from the King. We are [. . .] this Country but they are much harraz'd to the N[. . .] by New Governours. We hope you will [have received] News from Europe by this time & request the favour that You [will] Communicate them to us. We are

FORT S^T: GEORGE
THE 22^D. NOVEMBER 1726.

HON^BLE: SIR & SIRS

Your Most Humble Servants
JAMES MACRAE.
NATH^LL: TURNER.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND^LL: FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.
DAVID PYOT.

No. 88

To the Worshipll : Geo. Morton Pitt Esqr.
Deputy Governour of Fort St. David
&ca. Council.

Worshipll : Sir & Sirs

We have to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letters of the 8o. Ulto. & 1o. Instt: inclosing Your Cash Accts : for October & November and Mr : Newcom's Report to you about a Wind Mill propos'd to be erected for Watering your higher Grounds & about the Repairing the Garden House To which we now answer That the President acquaints us he had return'd You half the Muster of Cambrick Succatoons last [sent to] us to regulate your Selves by in the Essay of that Fabrick We shall [be] Pleas'd to have the number of pieces You mention to send to Europe for a Tryal by one of this Years shipping.

That we observe the Quantity of Bales You then had within the Bounds & what further Your Merchants Promised You by the End of January, by which it appears he will not bring in the Number Contracted for in time, This Disappointment [add] to our Concern for others of the like nature the more because we [have] no immediate recourse.

We are glad that you have succeeded in procuring the Ballance of Shaddashaverrow's Debt to the Company [. . .] which is a good Proof of Your Attention to the Company's Interest.

Another is Your Endeavours to increase [the] Revenue We have considerd the reasons You assign for erecting [a] Mill to throw up Water into the higher Grounds for improve[ing] them, into Paddy Fields, which we approve and direct that proper Materials may be forthwith prepare'd and the work set about as [soon as] You can, Which You will take care to see well perform'd, Tha[t is] Substantial & Dureable, We cannot allow you to exceed the Sum mentioned in Newcom's Report upon this first Experiment, [If you] succeed in this & that your whole Bounds can be improved to the increasing the Revenue any considerable Sūme, You may be [sure] of our Concurrence & that we will recommend the Merit of Yours.

Mr. Newcome's reasons, which you acquaint us are the Truth of the Matter against repairing the Garden[House]we likewise approve, because 't would be wasting the Companys Money to be at a considerable expence upon a Building [so bad] as that seems to have been & which may be expected to [fall down soon] We have therefore resolved rather to allow You to Build at a moderate [expence] but before we give our directions [...] us a Plan of the House You think [...] and frugal with an Estimate as near as you can [...] of finishing it.

The President acquaints us that [there were of] late Letters between him & Mr. Pitt upon the Subject of [the] Investment at your Settlement & making it less ex[pensive to the] Company, it will be necessary that Mr. Pitt should con[tinue] to assist in concerting measures for retreaving its decline before we dispatch the shipping for Europe, That we may Transmit to our Honble. Employers a more promising Prospect which being agreed to & it appearing to us that the most part will be in the last Week of this Month, we desire he will [come] about that time, after having made the necessary Dispatch [in] managing the Companys Affairs in his absence, During [which] Mr. Agustus Burton do act as Provisional Chief of that Settlement that You do all concur with him in procuring what Nu[mber] of Bales You Possibly can get

ready for this shipping and in the Companys Affairs in all Cases. We wish You heart[ily] and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 7°. DECEMBER 1726.

WORSHIPLL. SIR & SIRS

Your Affectionate Friends
JAMES MACRAE
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No. 89

TO MR. JOHN SANDERSON RESIDENT
AT METCHLEPATAM

SIR

We have received your Letter dated the 20° [Ult°.] and observe the reasons it mentions why you had succeeded [...] for so long time, We are pleas'd to hear they are removed [...] you had a better prospect before You of Investing the Mon[ey sent] You, in time for this shipping. We cannot think of allowing You to [make] any Presents to the Country Government, in the present [uncerta]in state of Affairs, If they would be assisting to You & that [if you] could once establish a Trade for Clothes there upon & [...]ation, we might in the [...] be encouraged [...] Gratification, [...] to the Company. If you succeed you may be assur'd to be fully supply'd with Money & all the means in our power, which we hope will engage you to continue Your Endeavours with chearfulness.

The permitting your sending us Clothes either to short, or not of the Width order'd, besides the ill consequences of the President, would be disaproved by the Company, For which reason we cannot allow it, & you must keep them up to ye. usual Dimentions.

Having a capable European to be Mastr. of the Sloop Francis & the Vessell, being made fitt for the Sea, We approve of your lading upon her what Number of Bales she will carry & direct that you may dispatch her to us as soon as may be, sending us at the same time or sooner if You can an Account of what more Bales you may have on hand what Number You can promise us in all for this shipping & acquaint what other Conveyance you can have for sending them upon.

It will be necessary to Caution You that you make no bad Debts with Your Merchants, You know that such would be for your own Acct. But we hope you will have taken such care that no such misfortune will happen to you. Wishing you success we remain

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 7°. DECEMBER 1726.

SIR

Your Friends & Servants
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No. 90

To the Hon^ble^. William Phips Esq^r^.
President of Bombay &c^a^. Council

Hon^ble^. Sir & Sirs

The preceeding is Duplicate of our last to Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. dispatch'd by Peons returning to Surat, We have not yet received Your Letter of the 3^d^. September and take this notice of [and] that You may enquire the reasons why it hath Miscarried.

M^r^. Fleetwood being returned to this Place since we write you last, we have, agreeable to your desire, dem[anded] of him a state of his Accompts with the Estate of the Late M^r^. Feb[os] he has deliverd us the inclosed Acc^t^. Curr^t^. & paid the Ballance [of] Eight Hundred & fifty three Pagodas & one fanam to our [Secretary. Your Hon &c^a^.] will please give us Directions by first [...] how that Money is to be dispos'd of. M^r^. Fleetwood [has] the Respondentia Bond mentiond in his Acc^t^. Cur[^t^.].

The President and Council of [Fort William] have returned us Four Ships to be filld up here & disp[atched] this Year, the Lyell, Middlesex, Essex & Mary, the two [first] arrived & the other two are we reckon at Vizagapatam to call there for Bales for us.

You will have rec^d^. directly from an Account of all Voyages this year from that Port. The [Lyell] saild early for Surat and was to be followd by the Sarum [We are] not certain the 3^d^. Inst^t^. whether they could find goods [enough to] dispatch home the Barrington this Season. They advise [they] had sent Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. as ordered to them & us by last letter [from] the Hon^ble^. Company. Twenty Chest of Silver upon the [Lyell] and would send You Twenty more upon the Sarum. We supply'd them with One hundred & Twenty Chests of Silver [last] Year towards their own Investment besides these Fourty for your Presidency. We are

Fort S^t^. George — Hon^ble^. Sir & Sirs

28° December 1726.

Your Most Hum^ble^. Serv^ts^.
James Macrae.
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